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TO : Mr. Mohr
FROM : H. L. Edwards

DATE: 9-29-55

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
CHICAGO DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
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MERITORIOUS AWARDS AND COMMENDATION

In attached memo from Mr. Baumgardner to Mr. Belmont 9-21-55 Domestic Intelligence Division (DID) concurred in the recommendations of SAC, Chicago, that 7 agents assigned to that office be afforded meritorious awards in the amount of \$150 each; 13 agents be afforded cash awards in the amount of \$50 each; that SA John E. Keating be considered for a meritorious reallocation to Grade GS-13 and that Supervisor Carl N. Freyman, Chicago, be commended, all for their outstanding work and accomplishments in connection with the underground operations in the Chicago Division. DID further recommended that SAC Hostetter and ASAC Schmit, Chicago Office, and that SOG Supervisors F. J. Baumgardner, [redacted] and [redacted] be commended for their excellent leadership and supervision of the underground operations in the Chicago Office. Since 10-15-54 the Underground Squad in Chicago has been successful in completely clarifying the underground picture and the organizational structure of the Communist Party (CP) underground in that area. Since that time 25 independent anonymous sources developed and contacted on over 200 separate occasions without incident. It was necessary to overcome many unusual obstacles and difficulties and employees involved performed their duties without thought for their own personal convenience. On the basis of the information submitted it is apparent those agents recommended for cash awards and SA Keating recommended for a meritorious reallocation have met the standard for the meritorious award pertaining to performance which has involved the overcoming of unusual difficulties.

SAs [redacted]

[redacted] Joseph M. Culkin, Elmer B. Litchfield and Julian C. McGill who have been recommended for awards of \$150 each participated in the supervision, development and contacting of the majority of the anonymous sources.

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CC: Mr. Hereford (Direct)
Mr. Belmont (Direct)

SOG Chicago Field Office File

Enclosures (22)

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SAs A. J. Baumgartner, [redacted]

[redacted] John T. Reilly, Bradner

C. Riggs, William F. Roemer, [redacted]

[redacted] Joseph R. Shea, George W. Stephan, [redacted]

[redacted] recommended for awards of \$50 each primarily handled the physical surveillances connected with development and contacting anonymous sources. SA John E. Keating recommended for meritorious reallocation to GS-13 has done outstanding job in handling CG 5824-S, a highly placed and important informant who has furnished considerable information regarding underground operations. Bureau records of employees satisfactory and no disciplinary action taken against them during past year with exception of SA McGill who was censured 5-9-55 for error in report he prepared.

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SA Keating eod as SA 9-20-48, GS-12, \$8000 (GS-12 since 5-10-53), Relief Supervisor, record satisfactory, no disciplinary action taken against him. Received meritorious increase in Grade GS-12 on 1-3-54 for developing 3 security informants. Commended 2-10-55 in connection with successful prosecution Claude Mack Lightfoot, Smith Act subject.

Inspector Van Pelt, recently completed inspection of Chicago Office, has advised that underground operations in Chicago have been highly effective and he feels cash awards are warranted. He is submitting write-up on SA Keating recommending that Administrative Division consider affording him reallocation to Grade GS-13, but no new facts beyond those in this memo.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

1. SAs [redacted] Culkin, Litchfield and McGill have met standard for meritorious award pertaining to services involving overcoming of unusual difficulties. Their services considered to be of broad application and moderate value to Bureau's work entitling them to award of from \$150 to \$300. It is therefore recommended that each of these agents be afforded a cash award in the amount of \$150.

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Authorization & letters
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I Agree;JPM 9-29
I Agree;GAN

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SAs Baumgartner: [redacted]
Reilly; Riggs; Roemer; [redacted] Shea; Stephan; and [redacted] have met standard for meritorious award pertaining to services involving overcoming of unusual difficulties. Their services considered to be of broad application and minor value to the Bureau's work entitling them to an award of from \$50 to \$100.

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It is therefore recommended that each of these agents be afforded a cash award in the amount of \$50.

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Recommend the awards be \$150.JPM OK;Tolson I Agree,GAN.
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3. SA Keating eod as SA 9-20-48 and is not full-time supervisor. Therefore, he would not normally be favorably considered for reallocation to Grade GS-13 until on or after 9-20-58 when he will have completed 10 years as SA. Although his record has been very satisfactory and his work with confidential informant CG 5824-S is worthy of special recognition it is not felt that his record warrants his reallocation at this time as this would be accelerating his promotion to Grade GS-13 by approximately 3 years. DID recommended that in event it was not possible to afford SA Keating the reallocation to Grade GS-13 at this time that he be afforded a cash award in the amount of \$150. SA Keating has met standard for meritorious award pertaining to service involving overcoming of unusual difficulties and his services considered to be of broad application and moderate value to Bureau's work entitling him to an award of from \$150 to \$300. It is therefore recommended that SA Keating be afforded a cash award in the amount of \$150.

Authorization & letter;LRH;js 10-5-55 I Agree.JPM 9-29
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4. That SA Freyman, Supervisor of Security Squad #2, Chicago, who supervises SA Keating and who originally developed confidential informant CG 5824-S for which he has been previously commended, be commended for his excellent supervision and guidance of the work of SA Keating and the informant. (It is noted the informant still looks to SA Freyman on occasions for guidance and advice and Freyman frequently meets with the informant at night and over the weekends with SA Keating).

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5. That SAC Hostetter and ASAC Schmit, Chicago, be commended for their excellent leadership and supervision of the underground squad.

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I Agree GAN

6. That SOG Supervisors F. J. Baumgardner, [] and [] be commended for their excellent supervision and guidance which stimulated the Chicago Office to take immediate action resulting in the outstanding achievements in regard to the underground work. (These supervisors made study of underground operations in Chicago Office and on 9-10-54 instructed Chicago to re-evaluate and redirect its program pointing out in detail weaknesses revealed from their study and making concrete suggestions.)

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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAs []
[] CULKIN, LITCHFIELD, MC GILL, BAUMGARTNER,
[], [], [] MC KAMEY, REILLY, RIGGS, ROEMER,
[] SHEA, STEPHAN, [] AND KEATING
ARE ATTACHED.

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October 5, 1955

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

Your excellent work in the supervision of the squad of agents who have realized such excellent results in the development of a number of highly confidential sources of information relative to the internal security of our country has been most gratifying to note.

The success achieved in this very important phase of our operations can be attributed in part to the intelligent and effective guidance which you afforded these delicate and difficult operations. I am happy to commend you for your splendid services.

Sincerely yours, -

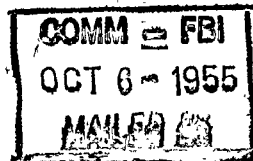
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January 12, 1956

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. Joseph L. Schmitt
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

I want you to know of my appreciation for the excellent supervision you afforded the Labor Management Relations Act case involving Maurice Eugene Travis while you were assigned to the Denver Division.

The successful conclusion of the matter has been a source of much satisfaction to me and is attributable in part to your close, intelligent direction of this complicated investigation. You should certainly take pride in your particular contributions to the favorable results.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

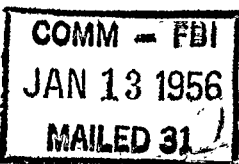
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Based on memo Baumgardner to Belmont 12-28-55 PRB:III
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DIRECTOR, FBI (122-155)

MAURICE EUGENE TRAVIS,

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~~REMOVAL - CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re Bureau airtel dated 12/22/55.

In addition to recommendations previously made for a \$200 meritorious award to SA BERNARD R. DE COOK, it is recommended that ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT (Chicago), ASAC ROY K. MOORE, and SA LLOYD R. HASHMAN be awarded letters of commendation for their part in handling this case.

This case was previously assigned to SA HASHMAN who prepared the Prosecutive Summary Report in October, 1954, at which time TRAVIS was indicted.

This case was supervised by ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT while he was assigned to the Denver Office, and the supervision has been carried on by ASAC ROY K. MOORE.

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- 1 - Chicago (1) (JOSEPH L. SCHMIT - Personnel)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. D. MASON

DATE: 1/23/56

FROM : INSPECTOR TEAGUE

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
 (ASAC, CHICAGO)
 INSPECTOR'S AIDE
 DETROIT RECHECK INSPECTION
 JANUARY, 1956

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SCHMIT acted as Number 1 Man on the Detroit Recheck Inspection, handling duties concerning administrative operations, pending work matters, and a major portion of his time was devoted to the correlation of surveys concerning the security work of the Detroit Office.

SCHMIT makes an excellent personal appearance. He has a very wholesome attitude, is in good health, is aggressive, resourceful, and from the results of assignments handled by SCHMIT during this inspection, he demonstrated resourcefulness, initiative, good judgment, and an excellent insight into administrative as well as investigative operations. He has the ability to handle personnel and has been a definite asset to the inspection staff.

The work performed by ASAC SCHMIT reflects good evaluations, thoroughness, and accuracy. SCHMIT is available and interested in advancement along administrative lines, and I consider that he is capable of handling the duties of Special Agent in Charge. He has the respect of employees and the ability to analyze a situation demonstrating emotional stability. He is definitely above average and qualified to advance.

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CC: SAC, Chicago (To be filed in personnel file of ASAC and commented on in next performance rating.)

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RECOMMENDATION: ASAC SCHMIT be considered for position of SAC. He appears to be qualified by temperament, knowledge of the work and an ability to retain respect of employees and yet direct their activity.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

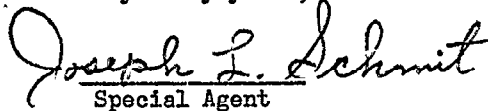
The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 2-21-56
Address 6127 N. CLAREMONT, CHICAGO, ILL.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 2-21-56
Address AS ABOVE

Very truly yours,


Special Agent

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: December 28, 1955

FROM : MR. F. C. [unclear]

cc - Boardman
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SUBJECT: MAURICE EUGENE TRAVIS
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT, 1947
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This is to recommend \$200 cash award for SA Bernard R. DeCook, Denver, for investigation of captioned case and letter of commendation for ASAC Joseph L. Schmit, Chicago, ASAC Roy K. Moore, Denver, and SA Lloyd R. Hashman, Denver, for their part in handling case. These recommendations made by SAC Denver in memo 12-22-55 and airtel received at Bureau 12-27-55.

Subject, Travis, convicted 12-21-55 on all 4 counts of indictment charging fraud in connection with signing non-Communist affidavits in 1951 and 1952. Subject to possible sentence of 20 years and/or \$40,000. Subject formerly national secretary-treasurer, International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, a Communist dominated union. Conviction received considerable publicity due to subject's former position in union and fact that the union is one against which Department has filed a petition under the Communist Control Act of 1954. Investigation difficult because Travis had announced resignation from Communist Party in 1949 in order to sign non-Communist affidavits and had continued to exercise his Communist influence in union clandestinely. Denver memo points out case assigned continuously to SA DeCook, Denver, since 1952, that his investigation and direction of the case have been outstanding and that this plus the assistance which he rendered to the prosecutive staff, resulted in a guilty verdict. Investigation not confined to Denver. Important witnesses developed in other divisions. SAC's memo points out that Departmental Attorney Mitchell, following the verdict in this case, stated the case was effectively investigated, excellently reported and assistance rendered in prosecution outstanding.

A prosecutive summary report was prepared in this case in October, 1954, by SA Lloyd R. Hashman which was of substantial assistance to the prosecution of the case. The case was supervised at Denver first by ASAC Joseph L. Schmit, now in Chicago, and at the time of the trial, by ASAC Roy K. Moore.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is recommended that for the outstanding investigation of this case in Denver and direction of investigation in other offices and for the other effective assistance rendered in prosecution of this case resulting in favorable verdict, SA Bernard R. DeCook be given a cash award of \$200.

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Memorandum for Belmont

The Domestic Intelligence Division has evaluated SA DeCook's performance under the Incentive Award Program as of moderate value and broad application.

2. It is recommended that letters of commendation be directed to SA Lloyd R. Hashman for his preparation of the prosecutive summary report in this case and to ASACs Joseph L. Schmit and Roy K. Moore for the supervision of the case in the field.

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ADDENDUM: FJB:111

This case was assigned at the Seat of Government to Supervisor P. R. Bibler whose excellent supervision and handling of problems in the matter contributed materially to the successful prosecution. It is recommended that a letter of commendation be directed to SA Bibler.

During the trial of the case and for several weeks preceeding the trial, while SA Bibler was tied up on other special matters, numerous problems in connection with the handling of witnesses and similar matters were handled by Supervisor [redacted] whose prompt recognition of the problems involved and efficient handling were of substantial value to the case. It is recommended that a letter of commendation be directed to Supervisor [redacted]

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ADDENDUM: AHB:111

F. J. Baumgardner, Chief, Internal Security Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, recognizing the importance of this case and the fact that a successful prosecution would be a telling blow against the Communist Party, has followed it closely to be certain that it was given the maximum supervisory consideration and his guidance contributed to the excellent results. It is recommended that a letter of commendation be forwarded to Mr. Baumgardner.

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ADDENDUM OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION: CRD:rnr 1-4-56

The accomplishments of SA Bernard R. DeCook of the Denver Office merit recognition in the form of an incentive award because of his sustained above-average performance over an extended period of time. Under the approved table utilized in determining the amount of an award in such cases, it is felt that his accomplishments should be considered of moderate over-all value to the Bureau and broad in its application to the Bureau's work, thus entitling him to an award of between \$150 and \$300.

Bureau Record of SA DeCook:

EOD 9/8/41. Presently grade GS-13 at \$9420 per annum. During last three years SA DeCook has been commended on two occasions and has not been censured. His over-all record appears to be above average.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

- (1) That SA DeCook be approved for a cash award of \$200.

- (2) That letters of commendation be directed to SA Lloyd R. Hashman for his preparation of the prosecutive summary report in this case and to ASACs Joseph L. Schmit and Roy K. Moore for the supervision of this case in the field.

- (3) That SOG supervisors P. R. Bixler and also be commended for excellent supervision afforded this case.

(4) That Section Chief F. J. Baumgardner be commended/^{for} recognizing the importance of this case, for insuring that it was afforded maximum supervisory consideration and for his guidance which contributed to the excellent results.

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PERMANENT BRIEF OF THE FILE OF DE COOK IS ATTACHED.

Enclosure

March 11, 1956

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. Joseph L. Schmitt
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

I am indeed pleased with the steps taken in the Chicago Division to improve the over-all effectiveness of security work, particularly with respect to the detailed analysis set out in the memorandum to the Bureau February 24, 1956.

Your very capable leadership has, I feel, been largely responsible for the aggressive approach of the Chicago Office to the problems involved. I therefore want to extend to you special commendation for your intelligent approach and for the improvements effected.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC: SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)

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Based on memo F. J. Baumgardner to A. H. Belmont
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *4-4-56*

DATE: March 26, 1956

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ABH*

SUBJECT: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT - CHICAGO OFFICE

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ASAC Joseph L. Schmit was assigned to the Chicago Office in January, 1955. Prior to that, he was ASAC in Denver and did an outstanding job in supervising and energetically pushing security investigations in that office. The successful apprehension of the Smith Act subjects in Denver and the subsequent convictions is an example of his successful handling of cases there.

Since Schmit's assignment to Chicago, I have noted a definite upsurge in the attention afforded security work in that office. Experience has taught us that in those offices where the man in charge of security work gives real leadership, real results are obtained. By this, I mean the Agents on security work are inspired to go beyond the routine if their leader is constantly presenting security work in a challenging light and is stressing the need for imagination, ingenuity, analysis, etc.

Schmit has provided this leadership in Chicago in the security field. In his first year there, Chicago has become one of our more progressive offices in security work, as reflected by its constant analysis of its coverage and steps to increase and improve its coverage. For example, since July, 1955, the number of security informants has increased from 48 to 59 and the number of potential security informants from 13 to 38. Chicago has initiated contacts with anonymous sources to secure information in those areas where analysis reflected that coverage was insufficient and has followed through on the results from these sources. It is our observation that security reports from the Chicago Office have improved.

ASAC Schmit has personally offered a number of helpful and constructive suggestions in connection with the program presently under way to prepare cases against individuals under the Internal Security Act of 1950. His comments reflect he has studied the legislation in question, has analyzed the problems of proof necessary to these cases, and that he has a sound knowledge of security matters.

ACTION: I feel that the aggressive, enthusiastic and imaginative leadership which ASAC Schmit has displayed in the Chicago Office is worthy of special comment--hence this memorandum.

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cc--Mr. Belmont

cc--Mr. Mohr

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Commended on 3-14-56

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3-11-56

April 18, 1956

SAC, CHICAGO

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RE: ASAC SCHMITT, J. J.

In-Service training for ASAC Schmitt on 4/20/56 is hereby cancelled. You should instruct him to report for In-Service training on May 15, 1956. Confirm attendance.

MOORE

CC: Mr. Belmont (sent direct)
Mr. Mason " "
Movement Unit " "

NOTE: Regional Security Conference is to be held in Chicago 4/30/56
and 5/1/56. ASAC Schmitt should attend.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: March 27, 1956

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: SAC ADVANCEMENT LIST

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At the present time there are five ASACs on the SAC Advancement List; namely, J. P. McMahon, San Francisco; J. L. Schmit, Chicago; E. E. Moore, New York; [redacted] Anchorage; and W. Mark Felt, Los Angeles. These ASACs have not been at the Seat of Government for conferences, special schools, or In-Service training in the recent past.

ASAC McMahon has not received Special Administrative training and will be ordered in sometime in the near future for attendance at a Special Administrative School that we are now setting up. The other four ASACs have already attended a Special Administrative School and it is, therefore, felt that they should be scheduled for In-Service training in the near future. By having these five ASACs at the Seat of Government, Bureau officials will have an opportunity to talk with them and evaluate their potential for further advancement in the service.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that ASAC J. P. McMahon, San Francisco, be scheduled for a Special Administrative School in the near future and the other four ASACs be scheduled for In-Service training on a staggered basis. If you agree the necessary orders will be dispatched to the field immediately.

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to SACs advising dates that
ASACs should report for In-Service
training as follows: ASACs Schmit 4/23;
Felt 4/30; Moore 5/4; [redacted] 5/21.
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SAC, Chicago

March 29, 1966

Director, FBI

JOSEPH L. SCHMITT
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
SECURITY IN-SERVICE TRAINING

ASAC Schmitt should report to SOG, Room 5342, at
10:00 a.m. April 29, 1966, for In-Service Training. Instructions
attached.

Confirm attendance.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 13, 1956

FROM : SAC, Chicago

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASAC
REALLOCATION GS-15

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Mr. Belmont	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT has served as Assistant Special Agent in Charge at Chicago since January 10, 1955. He has direct responsibility for security matters and the following is a brief summary of some of the important accomplishments in the security field which have been achieved under his direction and leadership.

On March 31, 1955, security delinquency in the 65, 100, and 105 classifications was 52.8 percent, with 802 delinquent cases out of 1518 pending active matters. On March 31, 1956, security delinquency was 19 percent, with 175 delinquent matters out of 916 pending active matters.

When ASAC SCHMIT arrived at Chicago on 1-10-55 there were 520 annual summary reports which were delinquent and overdue. On 3-31-56 the annual summary report program was being handled on a current basis.

On 1-10-55 there were seven targets under the Anagram Program, none of which had been developed. Six of these have now been handled and the remaining one cannot be accomplished at this time because of a lack of full security. One of these targets was highly productive and resulted in incentive award payments.

On June 1, 1955, the Chicago office had 48 approved security informants and 13 potential security informants. On March 14, 1956, there were 59 approved security informants for a net increase of 33 percent and 38 potential security informants for a net increase of approximately 200 percent. Twenty-six new approved security informants have been developed by this office during the past 14 months, as a result of the leadership, direction, and supervision of ASAC SCHMIT.

On March 31, 1955, Chicago had 15 approved panel sources with 14 under development. At this time Chicago has 39 approved panel sources with 21 under development. In

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RE: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASAC
REALLOCATION GS-15

addition, during the past year 10 individuals have been elevated from panel sources with two now operating as approved security informants and eight as potential security informants.

During the period from January 10, 1955, to December, 1955, when the CP Underground was dissolved, the Chicago office had excellent success in penetration of the Underground operation. During this period 21 Special Agents received incentive awards for outstanding success in penetrating the Underground. ASAC SCHMIT deserves considerable credit for organizing and directing these operations. During the past year, six additional agents working on security matters have received incentive awards.

On January 10, 1955, there were 15 missing Security Index subjects, 6 missing Top Functionaries, and 3 missing Key Figures. As of today there are no missing Top Functionaries, no missing Key Figures, and only 3 missing Security Index subjects.

During the past year hundreds of physical surveillances have been conducted, not only on CP functionaries but also on Soviet and foreign intelligence personnel without incident. In addition, numerous highly productive anonymous sources have been developed with full security.

As of 1-10-55 the Chicago office was uncertain about the CP picture in this area insofar as organizational structure, rank and file membership, and funds were concerned. We now have the complete organizational structure of the Illinois-Indiana District, as well as the complete registration forms for the 1956 CP registration and with the information now available we should be able during the present year to identify the complete rank and file membership in this Division.

ASAC SCHMIT during the past year has performed daily overtime in excess of 3 hours and he and the employees

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under his direction who are working on security matters deserve all of the credit for the accomplishments which have been achieved.

Mr. SCHMIT was reallocated to Grade GS-14 on July 20, 1952. On March 31, 1955, I recommended his immediate reallocation to GS-15 and I desire at this time to renew my prior recommendation.

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

H. Hostetter

Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

Where Assigned: CHICAGO

(Division)

(Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: ASS'T. SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Rating Period: from 4-1-55 to 3-31-56

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

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Rated by:

D.S. Hostetter
D. S. HOSTETTER Signature

Special Agent
in Charge

Title

3-31-56

Date

Reviewed by:

Signature

Title

Date

Rating approved by:

Signature

Assistant Director

MAY 7 1956

Title

Date

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TYPE OF REPORT

☒ Official

☒ Annual

☐ Administrative

☐ 60-day

☐ Transfer

☐ Separation from service

☐ Special

[Signature]

NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee JOSEPH L. SCHMITTitle Assistant Special Agent in ChargeRating Period: from 4-1-55 to 3-31-56

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).
- Unsatisfactory.
○ No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out on the reverse of form FD-185.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. | <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability. |
| <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. | <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. |
| <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). | <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: |
| <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). | <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports |
| <u>+</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. | <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports |
| <u>+</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. | <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires |
| <u>+</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives. | (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. | <u>+</u> (20) Performance as a witness. |
| <u>+</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. | <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: |
| <u>+</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. | <u>+</u> (a) Leadership |
| <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties. | <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel |
| <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | <u>+</u> (c) Planning |
| <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application. | <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions |
| <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. | <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work |
| <u>+</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: | <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates |
| <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases | <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures |
| <u>+</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases | <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability |
| <u>+</u> (c) Fugitive cases | <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale |
| <u>○</u> (d) Applicant cases | <u>+</u> (j) Getting results |
| <u>○</u> (e) Accounting cases | <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | <u>+</u> (a) As leader |
| | <u>+</u> (b) As participant |
| | <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. |
| | <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. |
| | <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: |
| | <u>+</u> Dictation ability |
| | <u>+</u> Automobile driving ability |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.):

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker):

Executive, Inspector's Aide, speaker

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING : SATISFACTORY

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

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JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175
Ass't. Special Agent in Charge
GS-14
EOD 1-6-41

PART I GENERAL COMMENTS

Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT presents an excellent personal appearance and has an impressive, attractive personality. He is an attorney and accountant and has demonstrated ability to handle involved and complicated investigative matters. He has likewise organized and handled a number of dangerous assignments in a very satisfactory manner. He is in good physical condition and capable of handling assignments requiring strenuous physical exertion.

He has direct responsibility for security matters and resident agents and, in addition, handles numerous other duties normally assigned to an Assistant Special Agent in Charge. He assumes responsibility and has the necessary intelligence and good judgment to successfully and effectively handle complex and involved problems.

He has handled those duties assigned to him at Chicago in an outstanding manner. There has been considerable progress in the security field and much of this has been due to his personal leadership.

He was commended by the Bureau on October 5, 1955, for the excellent manner in which he supervised a squad of agents who achieved excellent results in the development of a number of highly confidential sources of information. On January 12, 1956, he was commended by the Bureau for the excellent supervision he afforded the LMRA case involving MAURICE EUGENE TRAVIS.

On March 14, 1956, he was commended by the Bureau for the overall effectiveness of security work at Chicago at which time the Bureau noted that his capable leadership was largely responsible for the aggressive approach to the problems involved.

PART II SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable.



2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide

ASAC SCHMIT during January, 1956, acted as Number One man on an inspection at Detroit and the Inspector in Charge commented that he had an excellent insight into administrative and investigative operations as well as the ability to handle personnel. The Inspector observed that he was above average and qualified to advance, and capable of handling the duties of Special Agent in Charge.

3. Participation in Informant Programs

ASAC SCHMIT supervises the Security Informant Program at Chicago and has personally assisted in contacting and directing the activities of a highly placed security informant with considerable success. During the rating period the number of security informants has been increased by 23 percent and the number of potential security informants by approximately 200 percent. More than 20 security informants have been developed by Chicago during the past year.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

He has not testified as a witness during the rating period but during his tenure of service he has testified on a number of occasions and is fully qualified as a witness. He has no limitations or weaknesses as a witness.

5. Disciplinary Action

The Bureau by letter dated 7-29-55 censured him for approving a communication to the Bureau dated June 29, 1955, which requested the Bureau to delete the word "not" from the wrong sentence in a report in a Theft From Interstate Shipment case. The Bureau addressed a letter to him dated September 27, 1955, expressing extreme displeasure concerning weaknesses discovered during an inspection of the Chicago office. Most of the weaknesses referred to were not under his direct supervision and the Bureau in their communication pointed out that he was being held accountable because of his partnership responsibility.

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable.

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7. Police Instruction

Not applicable.

8. Sound Training

Not applicable.

9. Potentiality for and Interest in Administrative Advancement

I am certain that he has the necessary capabilities and at this time is well qualified to handle the duties of a Special Agent in Charge in a very satisfactory manner.

Inspector L. O. TEAGUE in a memorandum dated January 23, 1956, stated that he considered ASAC SCHMIT capable of handling the duties of Special Agent in Charge. Mr. SCHMIT is well qualified for administrative advancement and is definitely interested in such advancement.


Agent's Initials

by:
Chief
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Prepared by: *fab*
Checked by: *mi*
Filed by: *mi*

May 4, 1956

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

I am indeed pleased to advise that you are
being promoted to the position of Special Agent, \$11,610
per annum in Grade GS 15, effective May 6, 1956.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON *Vpert*

DATE: April 30, 1956

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
 Assistant Special Agent in Charge
 Chicago Division
 Non-Veteran
 Not on Probation

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REALLOCATION

ASAC Schmit is presently in grade GS-14, \$10,965 per annum, and is being considered for reallocation to grade GS-15, \$11,610 per annum. SAC Hostetter has just been reallocated to grade GS-17, \$13,975 per annum.

Mr. Schmit entered on duty January 6, 1941; is 39 years of age, married, and has one child. He has a Bachelor of Laws Degree and is a member of the South Dakota State Bar. He served as ASAC at Denver from April 13, 1953, until January 10, 1955, when he assumed his duties as ASAC at Chicago. His over-all record may be considered above average.

The Chicago Division received a recheck inspection in January, 1956, and the various functions of the office were rated as follows:

PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE.....	EXCELLENT
INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS.....	GOOD
ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS.....	FAIR
PERSONNEL MATTERS.....	EXCELLENT
CONTACTS.....	GOOD

During the inspection it was ascertained that Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution cases reflected a delinquency of 24.49%; Impersonation cases 23.81%; and Extortion cases 23.08%. As of March 31, 1956, the delinquency in these cases had been reduced to 18.07%, 21.20%, and 21.05% respectively. It was noted that Agent production was low at 4.77 cases each whereas by March 31, 1956, the production had been increased to 5.65 cases per Agent. Agents were spending 26.5% of their time in the office and this has now been reduced to 20.3%. The Inspector noted that missed investigative deadlines in fugitive cases were high at 15.38% and missed reporting deadlines in these cases also high at 28.85%. The Investigative Division advised that while no specific record is kept on a continuing basis concerning missed deadlines, no particular

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problem has been noted with respect to this matter in reports recently received from the Chicago Division.

Mr. Hostetter submitted a memorandum dated April 13, 1956, and recommended Mr. Schmit be reallocated to grade GS-15 based upon his outstanding services. Mr. Hostetter listed some of the accomplishments of Mr. Schmit as follows: reduced security delinquency from 52.8% to 19%; completely cleared up 520 delinquent annual summary reports in security matters; cleared up six of the outstanding seven targets under the Anagram Program (he pointed out the remaining one cannot be accomplished at this time due to lack of full security); increased approved security informants from 48 to 59 and potential security informants from 13 to 38; and increased panel sources from 15 to 39 with 21 additional under development. Agents under his direction have successfully penetrated the Chicago Communist underground and 21 Special Agents have received incentive awards in this connection. In addition, there were 15 missing Security Index subjects, six missing Top Functionaries, and three missing Key Figures. All have now been located with the exception of three missing Security Index subjects. Statistical accomplishments of the Chicago Division for the first nine months of fiscal year 1956 compared with the same period of fiscal year 1955 reveal a 2% decrease in convictions--from 191 to 187; a 35% increase in fines, savings and recoveries--from \$1,045,650 to \$1,420,776; a decrease of 1% in fugitives apprehended--from 299 to 296; and a 10% increase in automobile recoveries--from 272 to 299.

Mr. Schmit has received no administrative action during the past six months; however, he has been commended on three occasions.

RECOMMENDATION

In view of the improvement in statistical accomplishments plus the accomplishments of the Chicago Division in security matters, I recommend that Mr. Schmit be reallocated from grade GS-14, \$10,965 per annum, to grade GS-15, \$11,610 per annum, at this time.

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A PERMANENT BRIEF OF MR. SCHMIT'S FILE IS ATTACHED.

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TO : Messrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FROM : Mr. Price *JP*

SUBJECT: ASAC CONFERENCES

DATE: 4/5/56

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The following ASACs have been scheduled for conferences at the Seat of Government and material should be prepared in connection with these conferences in the same manner as that prepared when SACs report for conferences.

ASAC J. L. Schmit, Chicago	4/23 - 24/56	[REDACTED]
ASAC W. M. Felt, Los Angeles	4/30 - 5/1/56	W. P. Jones
ASAC D. B. Moore, New York	5/14 - 15/56	[REDACTED]
ASAC [REDACTED] Anchorage	5/21 - 22/56	H. J. Morgan

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Material should be routed to the above-designated supervisors in keeping with established deadlines, i.e., the Wednesday before the Monday when the ASAC reports. The memorandum prepared by the supervisor should reach the Section Chief's office not later than the close of business the Thursday before the ASAC reports.

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Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mason	_____
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

212 West Monroe Street
Chicago 6, Illinois
May 8, 1956

Handwritten: H. L. Edwards
J. L. Schmit

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is with sincere appreciation that I
acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 4, 1956,
advising me of my reallocation to Grade GS-15.

You may be assured that I will do my
best to continue to represent you and the Bureau
in the highest traditions of the F.B.I.

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature: J. L. Schmit

J. L. SCHMIT

(ASAC - CHICAGO)

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J. Edgar Hoover

May 14, 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Today, I saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit, of the Chicago Field Division. Mr. Schmit makes a good personal appearance, is substantial in manner and seems to be deeply interested in his work and I would rate him above average and in line for additional responsibilities when the opportunity occurs.

I discussed with Mr. Schmit the necessity for not exceeding twenty per cent delinquency in any classification of cases.

I also called Mr. Schmit's attention to the fact that there were 33 Agents in the Chicago Office who had not yet qualified for testimony in the Federal Court and that this should be corrected as soon as possible.

I mentioned to Mr. Schmit the fact that I noted that several of the security squads were spending forty per cent of their time in the office and that I considered this to be excessive and steps should be taken to reduce this.

I likewise called to Mr. Schmit's attention the fact that it had been necessary to address thirty letters of censure to the Chicago Office during the last six months and that this was an excessive number. I pointed out to Mr. Schmit that I believed that this could be corrected if the supervisory staff at Chicago would endeavor to impress upon all personnel in that office their individual responsibilities and the necessity for measuring up to them.

I also called Mr. Schmit's attention to the fact that the Chicago Office had one of the lowest records of cases closed per Agent per month, namely, 5.69, as against 9.34, the average for the service.

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I mentioned to Mr. Schmit my concern about a number of incidents in the Chicago Office recently where it had been necessary to take corrective action as regards the conduct of employees and that

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BY	J. Edgar Hoover

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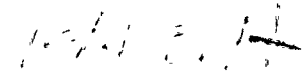
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

May 14, 1956

this indicated to me the necessity for more careful screening and selection of employees and for greater alertness in spotting weaknesses and eliminating employees before it was too late.

I commended Mr. Schmit upon the fine showing and increased accomplishments of the Chicago Office and he stated he believed this was due largely to the efforts which have been made to increase informant coverage, as the increase in informants had been particularly productive. I think this shows the basic value of stressing the necessity for increased informant coverage in all fields.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover
Director

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *Rw*

DATE: 5-11-56

FROM : [Redacted] *DR*SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
CHICAGO OFFICE, IN-SERVICE COMMENCING
MAY 14, 1956

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ASAC Schmit has been ordered to Bureau for conferences. He has been ASAC at Chicago since 1-10-55 and is not on probation. Accomplishments for Chicago for first 10 months fiscal 1956, as compared with same period fiscal 1955 are:

	<u>Convictions</u>	<u>Fines, Savings and Recoveries</u>	<u>Fugitives</u>	<u>Autos</u>
Fiscal Year 1955 to Date	205	\$1,252,873	318	284
Fiscal Year 1956 to Date	212	1,454,372	326	327
Change 1955 to 1956	+3%	+16%	+3%	+15%

SAC Hostetter was ordered into the Bureau for conference on 12-13/14-55 re deficiencies in accomplishments of the Chicago Office for the first four months of fiscal 1956, at which time his office showed a decline of 6% in Convictions, 41% in Fugitives, and 17% in Automobiles Recovered. The accomplishments of the Chicago Office reflected above for the first ten months represents a material improvement since the visit of SAC Hostetter and it is suggested that the views of ASAC Schmit be obtained as to the programs instituted in the Chicago Office to effect this noteworthy improvement.

Chicago recheck inspection 1-24/31-56 rated investigative operations good; and noted high delinquency in UFAP (24.49%), Impersonation (23.81%), and Extortion (23.08%). As of 4-30-56, over-all office delinquency was 13.15%, whereas criminal delinquency was 12.43%. Delinquency in White Slave Traffic Act 28.43%; Theft of Government Property 27.27%; Unlawful Flight 15.79%; Theft From Interstate Shipment 14.06%. These should be reduced. 4,327 pending matters as of 4-30-56.

Chicago has 18 unsolved bank robberies and 5 unsolved bank burglaries which must be given constant attention. Only 39 convictions in TFIS cases first 9 months fiscal 1956, a decrease of 16 for same period fiscal 1955. Delays in reporting noted in several Unlawful Flight cases and ITSP cases. Chicago equalling field improvement in obtaining new Unlawful Flight cases. Only one WSTA conviction first 8 months fiscal 1956, same as previous year.

The foregoing is for your information.

CB:mrs

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SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

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NO. ECG 30103	SIGNATURE J. L. Silver MD / BRS	TITLE	DATE 5-7-56
PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility)		REGISTER NO. FB1	WARD NO.
Schmit, Joseph L			

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Standard Form 520

(Attach tracings to S. F. 508)

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Report of Medical Examination

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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62	cates desirable)
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If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee _____ qualified for strenuous physical
 (is or is not)
exertion. (Designate which)

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

W B Rowland
Jun 22nd

N. Van Hoff M.D.
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAY - 7 1956

(Date)

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June 1, 1956

SAC, Chicago

RE: J. L. Schmit
SPECIAL AGENT

In-Service Course 5/14 to 25/56

Type of School: ☒ Security ☐ Criminal ☐ General

Dear Sir:

The above-mentioned Special Agent attended the above In-Service Training Course at the Seat of Government and attained the following grades:

Notebook	VG
Examination	93
Double Action Course	92
Practical Pistol Course	75
Shotgun (Skeet)	10/25
.30 Rifle	86
Machine Gun	92

The firearms grades with the exception of the Shotgun Skeet Course should be entered on the individual field firearms training record.

This employee should be credited with 19 hours and 9 minutes of overtime earned on 5 calendar days during the above period in May.

Very truly yours,

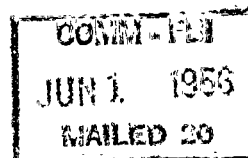
J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc: ASAC J. L. Schmit

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

May 25, 1956

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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S & W Military Police Revolver #204278
Holster and adapter

RETURNED to B...

Colt Official Police Revolver #649799
Holster and adapter

READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MULTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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PER JLB

Very truly yours,
Joseph L. Schmit
Joseph L. Schmit, ASAC

CLINICAL EVALUATION		NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)
NORMAL	ABNORMAL	
✓		(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated)
✓		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
✓		19. NOSE
✓		20. SINUSES
✓		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
✓		22. EARS—GENERAL (Int. & ext. canals) (Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71)
✓		23. DRUMS (Perforation)
✓		24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 69, 60, and 61)
✓		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
✓		26. PUPILS (Equality and reaction)
✓		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)
✓		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (Include breasts)
✓		29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)
✓		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)
✓		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (Include hernia)
✓		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate if indicated)
✓		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
✓		34. G-U SYSTEM
✓		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion)
✓		36. FEET
✓		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion)
✓		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
✓		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
✓		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
✓		41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)
✓		42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)
Females only		(Check how done)
		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

(Continue in item 73)

LABORATORY FINDINGS		
45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR.		46. CHEST X-RAY (Place, date, film number, result)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result)
48. EKG		49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR
		50. OTHER TESTS

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51. HEIGHT <i>5' 7"</i>		52. WEIGHT <i>150</i>		53. COLOR HAIR <i>gray black</i>		54. COLOR EYES <i>blue</i>		55. BUILD: ☐ SLENDER ☒ MEDIUM ☐ HEAVY ☐ OBESE		56. TEMP. <i>98.6°</i>																									
57. BLOOD PRESSURE (Arm at heart level) SITTING SYS. <i>110</i> DIAS. <i>80</i> RECUMBENT SYS. <i>100</i> DIAS. <i>80</i>						58. PULSE (Arm at heart level) SITTING <i>72</i> AFTER EXERCISE <i>88</i> 1/2 MIN. AFTER <i>74</i> RECUMBENT <i>72</i> AFTER STANDING 3 MIN. <i>72</i>																													
59. DISTANT VISION RIGHT 20/400 CORR. TO 20/20 LEFT 20/300 CORR. TO 20/20				60. REFRACTION BY -3.50 S. -0.25 CX 180 BY -3.00 S. CX				61. NEAR VISION CORR. TO J ₁ BY CORR. TO J ₁ BY																											
62. HETEROPHORIA: (Specify distance) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD <i>Orthophoria</i>																																			
63. ACCOMMODATION RIGHT <i>Normal</i> LEFT <i>Normal</i>				64. COLOR VISION (Test used and result) <i>Yarn Test - Normal</i>				65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (Test used and score) UNCORRECTED CORRECTED		69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION <i>normal</i>																									
66. FIELD OF VISION <i>Normal</i>				67. NIGHT VISION (Test used and score)				68. RED LENS																											
70. HEARING RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV 20 /15 LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 20 /15		71. AUDIOMETER <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th></th> <th>250 250</th> <th>500 512</th> <th>1000 1024</th> <th>2000 2048</th> <th>3000 2896</th> <th>4000 4096</th> <th>8000 8192</th> </tr> <tr> <td>RIGHT</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="background-color: #cccccc;"></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEFT</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="background-color: #cccccc;"></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>							250 250	500 512	1000 1024	2000 2048	3000 2896	4000 4096	8000 8192	RIGHT								LEFT								72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (Tests used and score)			
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73. NOTES (Continued) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (List diagnoses with item numbers)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (Specify)

77. EXAMINEE (Check)
☐ IS
☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

Nathaniel VanDorpe M.D. EENT

SIGNATURE

Nathaniel Van Dorpe

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

L. B. ROWE

SIGNATURE

L. B. Rowe M.D. Defunct

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (Indicate which)

A. DAVIDSON, DDS

SIGNATURE

A. Davidson D.D.S.

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY

SIGNATURE

NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
2

REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

THIS INFORMATION IS FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY AND WILL NOT BE RELEASED TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME Schmit, Joseph Luke				2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION ASAC		3. IDENTIFICATION NO.	
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State) 6127 N. Claremont, Chicago, Ill.				5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION Annual Physical		6. DATE OF EXAMINATION 5-7-56	
7. SEX M	8. RACE W	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY 0 CIVILIAN 15	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE Dept. of Justice		11. ORGANIZATION UNIT F.B.I.		
12. DATE OF BIRTH 4-29-16		13. PLACE OF BIRTH Castlewood, So. Dak.		14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN Virginia K. Schmit, wife, as above			
15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS U.A. West Side Hospital, Chicago, Ill.				16. OTHER INFORMATION			
17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. (Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists) Very good health							

18. FAMILY HISTORY					19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION (Parent, brother, sister, other) OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:			
RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH	YES	NO	(Check each item)	RELATION(S)
FATHER			Arthritis Heart	73		☒	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
MOTHER				59		☒	HAD SYPHILIS	
SPOUSE	40	Excellent				☒	HAD DIABETES	
BROTHERS 4	35 to 56	all very good health				☒	HAD CANCER	
AND SISTERS 6	37 to 52	"			☒	☒	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
CHILDREN	12	Very good - has slight heart murmur			☒	☒	HAD HEART TROUBLE	mother - sister
					☒	☒	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	Father
					☒	☒	HAD RHEUMATISM (Arthritis)	"
					☒	☒	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
					☒	☒	HAD EPILEPSY (Fits)	
					☒	☒	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
					☒	☒	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW (Place check at left of each item)											
YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)
☒		SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS	☒		GOITER	☒		TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER	☒		"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
☒		DIPHTHERIA	☒		TUBERCULOSIS	☒		RUPTURE	☒		FOOT TROUBLE
☒		RHEUMATIC FEVER	☒		SOAKING SWEATS (Night sweats)	☒		APPENDICITIS	☒		NEURITIS
☒		SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS	☒		ASTHMA	☒		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE	☒		PARALYSIS (Inc. infantile)
☒		MUMPS	☒		SHORTNESS OF BREATH	☒		FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION	☒		EPILEPSY OR FITS
☒		WHOOPING COUGH	☒		PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST	☒		KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE	☒		CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
☒		FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE	☒		CHRONIC COUGH	☒		SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE	☒		FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
☒		DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS	☒		PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART	☒		BOILS	☒		FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
☒		EYE TROUBLE	☒		HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE	☒		VENEREAL DISEASE	☒		DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
☒		EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE	☒		CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS	☒		RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT	☒		LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
☒		RUNNING EARS	☒		FREQUENT INDIGESTION	☒		ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM	☒		BED WETTING
☒		CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS	☒		STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE	☒		BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY	☒		NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
☒		SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE	☒		GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES	☒		LAMENESS	☒		ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
☒		SINUSITIS	☒		JAUNDICE	☒		LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE	☒		EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
☒		HAY FEVER	☒		ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE	☒		PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW	☒		HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER (Check each item)				22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—				B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:			
☒		WORN GLASSES	☒		ATTEMPTED SUICIDE	☐		BEEN PREGNANT		AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION	
☒		WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE	☒		BEEN A SLEEP WALKER	☐		HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE		INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS	
☒		WORN HEARING AIDS	☒		LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS	☐		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER		DURATION OF PERIODS	
☒		STUTTERED OR STAMMERED	☒		COUGHED UP BLOOD	☐		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION		DATE OF LAST PERIOD	
☒		WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT	☒		bled excessively after injury or tooth extraction	☐		HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION		QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY	
23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS? NINE				24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS N.A.				25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION? Investigator			
								26. ARE YOU (Check one) ☐ RIGHT HANDED ☒ LEFT HANDED			

YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	☒	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
	☒	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
	☒	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
	☒	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (If yes, give reasons)
	☒	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
	☒	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (If yes, give details)
	☒	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (If yes, state reason and give details)
	☒	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (If yes, state reason and give details)
	☒	32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (If yes, describe and give age at which occurred)
	☒	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (committed or voluntary) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic)
☒		34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (If yes, specify when, where, and give details)
	☒	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details)
	☒	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (If yes, which illnesses)
	☒	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (If yes, give date and reason for rejection)
	☒	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability)
	☒	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why)

34. Broken right wrist - 1930

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
Schmit, Joseph Luke	Joseph Luke Schmit

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (Physician shall comment on all possible answers in items 20 thru 39)

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
H. B. Rowe	MAY - 7 1956	H. B. Rowe	2

(Check one) ☐ BED PATIENT ☐ AMBULATORY	PATIENT'S LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME SCHMIT, Joseph L. REQUESTED BY	REGISTER NO. C-FBI	WARD NO. P. DATE OF REQUEST 5-7-56
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CHECK (✓) EXAM. REQUESTED	RESULTS	CHECK (✓) EXAM. REQUESTED	RESULTS	CHECK (✓) EXAM. REQUESTED	RESULTS
☐ W. B. C.		☐ R. B. C.		☐ PLATELETS	
☐ DIFFERENTIAL COUNT				☐ SEDIMENTATION RATE	
NEUTROPHILS		☐ HEMOGLOBIN		☐ HEMATOCRIT	
LYMPHOCYTES		☐ BLEEDING TIME		☐ BLOOD GROUP	A
MONOCYTES		☐ COAGULATION TIME		☐ Rh TYPE	POSITIVE
EOSINOPHILS		☐ BLOOD MORPHOLOGY			
BASOPHILS		☐ MALARIA SMEAR			

OTHER TESTS OR EXAMINATIONS (Specify)

REMARKS:

(DATE OF REPORT)

SIGNATURE (Specify Lab. if not part of requesting facility)

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HEMATOLOGY

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PATIENT'S LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME

SCHMIT, Joseph L.

REGISTER NO.

C-FBI

WARD NO.

AGE

SEX

(Check one)

☐ BEDSIDE, WHEELCHAIR,
OR STRETCHER☐ BED
PATIENT☐ AMBULATORY

EXAMINATION REQUESTED

Chest

REQUESTED BY

Dr. O. Wosset

DATE OF REQUEST

5-7-56

(Above space for mechanical imprinting, if used)

PERTINENT CLINICAL HISTORY, OPERATIONS, PHYSICAL FINDINGS, AND PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS

FILM NO.

DATE OF REPORT

RADIOGRAPHIC REPORT

SCHMIT, Joseph L.

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CHEST: Negative.

5-11-56

J. H. MITCHELL, M. D.

SIGNATURE: (Specify location of laboratory if not part of requesting facility)

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RADIOGRAPHIC REPORT

☆ U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1949 - 233108

(Check one) ☐ BED PATIENT ☐ AMBULATORY	PATIENT'S LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME SCHMIT, Joseph L.	REGISTER NO. C-FBI	WARD NO. P.
	REQUESTED BY	DATE OF REQUEST 5-7-56	

CHECK (✓) EXAMINATION REQUESTED

☐ ROUTINE FLOCCULATION ☐ ROUTINE COMPLEMENT FIXATION ☐ OTHER (Specify)

REPORT:

**CARDIOLIPIN MICROFLOCCULATION TEST FOR SYPHILIS
NEGATIVE.**

5-8-56

(DATE OF REPORT)

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(REPORT MADE BY—Initials)

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By Bureau of the Budget—Circular A—32

SEROLOGY

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(Check one) ☐ BED PATIENT ☐ AMBULATORY	PATIENT'S LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME SCHMIT, Joseph L.		REGISTER NO. C-FBI	WARD NO. P.
	REQUESTED BY	DATE COLLECTED	TIME COLLECTED	DATE OF REQUEST 5-7-56

CHECK (✓) EXAM. REQUESTED	RESULTS	CHECK (✓) EXAM. REQUESTED	RESULTS
☐ COLOR—APPEARANCE		☐ SUGAR (<i>Qualitative</i>)	neg.
☐ REACTION		☐ SUGAR (<i>Quantitative</i>)	
☐ SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.022	☐ ACETONE	
☐ ALBUMIN (<i>Qualitative</i>)	neg.	☐ DIACETIC ACID	
☐ ALBUMIN (<i>Quantitative</i>)		☐ BILE	
☐ MICROSCOPIC			
☐ OTHER TESTS OR EXAMINATIONS (<i>Specify</i>)			

REMARKS:

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(DATE OF REPORT)

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URINALYSIS

June 7, 1956

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

I want to commend you for the very capable manner in which you handled the overall supervision of the Theft from Interstate Shipment case involving Fred Theodore Zimmerman and others.

This successful operation is a fine example of what can be accomplished through thorough and painstaking planning and close attention to duty on the part of the personnel involved. You deserve a great deal of credit for the successful and expeditious solution of this case.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

CC: SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)

While it is appreciated ASAC Schmit did an excellent job on this case he is in grade GS-15 and in his position is expected to competently handle such cases. Accordingly, he is not being afforded an incentive award.

LRH:js It is not felt performance of agents recommended
67-116851 for \$50.00 incentive awards was such as to
(4) warrant this recognition.

Based on memo Edwards to Mohr 5/31/56 CRD:mjJ.

Tolson _____
Nichols _____
Boardman _____
Belmont _____
Mason _____
Mohr _____
Parsons _____
Rosen _____
Tamm _____
Nease _____
Winterrowd _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

Director, FBI (61-7665)

June 6, 1956

SAC, Chicago

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

CG 5824-S*
COMMENDATION MATTER

Joseph L. Schmit

Rebulet 6-1-56, requesting my views as to letters of commendation for appropriate personnel of the Chicago Division in view of the continued advancement of this informant to the highest levels of the Communist Party organization.

As the Bureau is aware, numerous problems have arisen, particularly during the past year, in the handling of captioned informant, principally because of two existing factors. first the continued ill health of informant [redacted] and secondly the maintenance of security and the establishing of cover essential to the informant because of his elevation to the highest levels in the Party. As a result, numerous conferences have been held during the past year with SA JOHN E. KEATING, who directly handles the informant, Field Supervisor CARL N. FREYMAN, under whose supervision the informant is maintained, ASAC SCHMIT and myself. During these conferences all factors relating to the handling and direction of this informant have been discussed in detail to insure his continued value to the Bureau.

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Recommend that the following employees receive letters of commendation for the reasons indicated:

SA JOHN E. KEATING

KEATING has handled CG 5824-S since approximately March 1, 1955, during which period his greatest progress has been made. Informant's availability is uncertain and it has been necessary for KEATING to be available night and day seven days a week. KEATING has devoted his personal time unstintingly to the handling of this informant and this has contributed to his continued advancement.

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RE: CG 5824-S*
COMMENDATION MATTER

For example, while the informant attended an enlarged meeting of the National Committee of the CP, USA, from April 28 to May 2, 1956, he proceeded to New York City and was available at all hours during the night and on weekends to take his information and thereafter dictate and disseminate.

Agent KEATING's keen insight into the problems confronting the informant, as well as his intimate knowledge of CP operations, have contributed greatly to the informant's enhanced position today.

KEATING's overtime during recent months is as follows:

March 1955	5' 37"
April 1955	4' 5"
May 1955	3' 8"
June 1955	2' 9"
July 1955	4' 13"
August 1955	4' 4"
September 1955	2' 32"
October 1955	2' 39"
November 1955	2' 15"
December 1955	4' 32"
January 1956	2' 49"
February 1956	2' 42"
March 1956	3' 40"
April 1956	2' 44"

Field Supervisor CARL N. FREYMAN

FREYMAN originally developed CG 5824-S for which he has been previously commended. He continues to devote considerable time to the direction and guidance of the informant in addition to handling his supervisory duties. The informant frequently confers with FREYMAN on matters of CP policy and guidance. FREYMAN's extensive knowledge of

Director, FBI

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COMMENDATION MATTER

Marxism-Leninism, the twists and turns of the CP line, and other matters relating to the handling of security informants generally have had a great bearing on the informant's continued advancement. On many occasions it has been deemed advisable for FREYMAN and KEATING to jointly meet with the informant at night and on weekends to resolve certain questions as to how the informant should handle himself in certain situations. The informant has implicit trust and confidence in FREYMAN and this has been very valuable in cementing the informant's relationship with the Bureau. FREYMAN, of course, has been of great aid in assisting Agent KEATING in resolving problems relative to the handling of this informant.

FREYMAN's overtime during recent months is as follows:

March 1955	5' 40"
April 1955	4' 31"
May 1955	4' 16"
June 1955	4' 11"
July 1955	4' 33"
August 1955	5' 9"
September 1955	4' 47"
October 1955	4' 11"
November 1955	3' 49"
December 1955	3' 28"
January 1956	4' 20"
February 1956	3' 16"
March 1956	3' 26"
April 1956	3' 44"

ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

All security matters at Chicago are under the direction of ASAC SCHMIT. The continued progress of CG 5824-S is attributable in part to the excellent guidance and direction which ASAC SCHMIT has provided to FREYMAN, KEATING, and the informant. ASAC SCHMIT has personally met with the informant and his wife on a number of occasions and has been an active participant in all conferences relative to the handling of this informant. He has provided excellent leadership and is responsible in part for the results achieved.

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 5/31/56

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ET AL
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INCENTIVE AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

SAC, Chicago recommends \$150 incentive award to SA John B. Harrington; \$100 awards to ASAC Joseph L. Schmit and Supervisor James C. Moreland and \$50 awards to 31 additional Agents for outstanding work in solution of captioned case.

Case involved armed hijacking in Chicago on 5/1/56 of women's apparel valued at \$300,000. Case broken on 5/3/56 with arrests by Agents of seven subjects and recovery of entire loot. Very favorable press received. Investigative Division concurs with recommendations for incentive awards for Harrington, Schmit and Moreland, recommendations that 31 other Agents be commended instead of receiving \$50 cash awards.

Harrington developed the potential criminal informant (PCI), who on 5/2/56 advised that merchandise believed identical with stolen load was at the George Busch Drum Company. PCI indicated [REDACTED] he intended to move merchandise on morning of 5/3/56. Successful culmination of case obtained through use of surveillance on the Drum Company throughout nights of 5/2 - 3/56 and arrests followed when a suspected truck left Drum Company containing some of merchandise. SA Harrington controlled PCI after she furnished initial information in spite of [REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] the entire case could have been jeopardized. ASAC Schmit who took personal direction in absence of SAC, kept close contact with Agents working the case, handled the press releases and numerous inquiries from the press and other interested parties.

SA Moreland supervised case from its inception, made on the spot decisions in a capable fashion and his training of the men under him was reflected by the manner in which they handled the entire investigation.

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Enclosures

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SAC stated with respect to remaining 31 Agents, it was difficult to single out a group of men for a recognition greater than that of the entire squad.

By letter dated 5/22/56, SAC, Chicago, per Bureau request, furnished detailed information regarding performance of each of 31 Agents recommended for \$50 cash awards. He pointed out that they worked tirelessly from inception of case, conducted successful surveillances, interviews, searches, seizures, arrests and investigations. They made personal sacrifices and through combined and individual efforts case was brought to a successful conclusion.

Bureau Records of SA John B. Harrington, ASAC Joseph L. Schmit and SA Supervisor James T. Moreland

SA John B. Harrington:

Entered on duty 12/18/50, GS-11, \$6820, censured three times and commended twice during last three years. By memo dated 5/2/56 was considered, recommended, and approved that he be passed over for promotion to GS-12 and reconsidered in August, 1956, because of three censures.

ASAC Joseph L. Schmit:

Entered on duty 1/6/41, GS-15, \$11,610. During last three years has been commended four times, censured once and received meritorious increase of \$200 9/12/54 for supervision of Smith Act case while ASAC in Denver. Director interviewed him on 5/14/56 and rated him above average and felt he should be placed in line for additional responsibilities when the opportunity occurs.

SA Supervisor James T. Moreland:

Entered on duty 3/31/47, GS-14, \$10,320. During last three years has been commended four times and no censures.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONAL FILES OF THE FOREGOING AGENTS ATTACHED

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. In view of the outstanding handling of the potential confidential informant by SA John B. Harrington which directly led to the solution of this case it is recommended that Harrington be promoted to Grade GS-12 at this time and informed that his promotion is based upon his outstanding work in this case.

Letter & Fanfold 6-7-56 MA/alm

I Agree

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2. ASAC Joseph L. Schmit competently handled the overall supervision and direction of this case; however, he is in Grade GS-15 and in his position is expected to competently handle operations of this nature. Recommended that he be commended.

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6/7/56
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3. SA Supervisor James T. Moreland, who supervised this case is in Grade GS-14 and in his supervisory position is expected to handle his supervisory duties in the manner in which they were handled in this case. Recommended that he be commended only.

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4. The following Agents who were recommended for \$50 case awards by SAC, Chicago, carried out their responsibilities in an excellent manner; however, the information submitted by the SAC does not appear to justify cash awards and for this reason it is recommended that each be commended:

SAs

[redacted]
Joseph L. Conway
Merle B. Hamre
William A. Meincke
[redacted]
Marlin H. Moore
Francis D. Silas, Jr.
[redacted]
George Stadtmiller
[redacted]
John F. Huber
[redacted]
[redacted]
John J. Oltzinger
[redacted]
Hamlin A. Smith

SAs

[redacted]
William J. Barron
Frank J. Ford
William M. Parker
Fred E. Wicklund, Jr.
Paul B. Frankfurt
[redacted]
George H. Parret
[redacted]
Kenneth M. Grant
John F. Glenville
Gerard J. Norton
[redacted]

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6/7/56 lrh

I agree
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 5/1956

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (15-10579)

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ET AL
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Joseph L. Schmitt
Re Chicago teletype May 3, 1956.

In view of the expeditious and successful manner in which this case has been handled, and the excellent results received, as well as favorable reflection upon the Bureau, I desire to make certain recommendations to the Bureau for awards to the Agents who handled this case.

Investigation was immediately conducted on the morning of May 1, 1956, when the information was received that a tractor trailer loaded with womens wearing apparel in interstate shipment from New York, New York to Chicago had been hijacked while being transferred from Flying Tiger Airlines, Midway Airport, Chicago, to the Shulman Freight Forwarders, Chicago. The value of this loss was not determined at that time, however, the Shulman Company has subsequently advised that the value of the merchandise is estimated at \$300,000.00.

Shortly after leaving the terminal at Midway Airport, one white male entered the cab of the hijacked truck while stopped at a stop light, pulled a gun on the driver, and after having him drive a few blocks, this number 1 hijacker and unknown subject number 2, placed the driver in the trunk of a four-door Packard sedan, and held him from approximately 6:30 A.M. until 8:30 A.M., May 1, 1956, at which time he was released in the Glen Oak Cemetary, West Chester, Illinois, with his hands and eyes taped.

The hijacked tractor and trailer was recovered by Bureau Agents 1:30 P.M., May 1, 1956, where it had been abandoned with all of the merchandise removed.

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(Investigative Division recommendation pages 8a and 8b)

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Many of the Agents on this investigation started with its inception, working until late on the night of May 1, 1956, returning to the office early on May 2, 1956, and worked continuously until every subject had been arrested and all the merchandise recovered.

On the evening of May 2, 1956, Agent JOHN B. HARRINGTON received information through a Potential Criminal Informant, whom he had been developing as a PCI for only a few weeks. that [REDACTED]

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Upon initial receipt of this information, a fixed surveillance was immediately instituted by Bureau Agents at the Drum Company, and all trucks operating in that vicinity were discretely checked in an attempt to determine if the merchandise had been removed or was being removed.

For security reasons, it was not possible to ascertain on the afternoon of May 2, 1956, or that night, if the merchandise was still in the company, however, Agent HARRINGTON and the Supervisor handling this case, JAMES T. MORELAND, maintained contact with this PCI, [REDACTED]

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Prior to the receipt of the initial information from this PCI, the Special Agent in Charge had left the city of Chicago to fulfill a speaking engagement at Mount Morris, Illinois, and Assistant Special Agent in Charge, JOSEPH L. SCHMIT, assumed personal direction of this investigation, since it was known to the Chicago Office that the amount of the loss would be large.

At 6:05 a.m., May 3, 1956, Bureau agents observed a red Fruehauf semi-trailer with Ford tractor entering the premises at the Drum Company.

At 7:00 a.m., the same tractor trailer was seen leaving the premises and surveillance was maintained.

After driving approximately 20 blocks, the tractor trailer was stopped, and one of the drivers, [redacted] opened the trailer doors and exhibited cartons of merchandise determined to be identical with the loss of this case. [redacted] and subject [redacted] were taken into custody at that time, and virtually all of the merchandise lost was recovered.

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Bureau agents immediately located [redacted] George Busch Drum Company, [redacted] and took him into custody at the Drum Company. He and [redacted] both admitted participation in the handling of this merchandise, knowing it to have been stolen.

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The Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] [redacted] Head of the Criminal Division, United States Attorney's Office, Chicago, was contacted, and he authorized the arrest of any other individuals whom subjects implicated, and whose apprehension might be necessary to prevent escape.

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Based on information developed through [redacted] and [redacted] at 11:00 a.m., May 3, 1956, Bureau agents took into custody subjects [redacted] and [redacted] it having been determined through prior investigation that an unknown subject named [redacted] was identical with [redacted]

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Information was also developed through these interviews and investigation which indicated that one of the hijackers in this case was subject [redacted] and that [redacted] and an unknown person were to return to George Busch Drum Company at 10 o'clock A.M., May 3, 1956, and arrange for a buyer for the merchandise in question.

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A surveillance was maintained at the Busch Drum Company, and at approximately 12 noon, [] entered the premises of the Drum Company where Bureau Agents were waiting and he was taken into custody. Bureau Agents had also observed that [] had been brought to the Drum Company in a 1956 Ford Convertible, and after his arrest, this Ford convertible was located, and the driver questioned. He denied knowing [], denied bringing anyone to the Drum Company, and denied any information concerning this matter. He agreed, however, to accompany Agents to the Chicago Office where all subjects were at this time in custody.

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[] upon viewing subject [] indicated that he was the person who was the friend of [] and undoubtedly the second hijacker.

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All subjects were put in a line up at the Chicago Office along with other individuals, [] identified subjects [] and [] as the hijackers.

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Prosecution was authorized on all subjects, and complaints filed under Section 659, Title 18, United States Code, charging either theft or possession of instant merchandise. All subjects were given preliminary examination before United States Commissioner, Chicago, May 3, 1956, and remanded to custody United States Marshall, upon failure to post bond set at various amounts between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Investigation was conducted in this matter to locate the automobile used by the hijackers, and subject [] advised an agent of the Chicago Office that he believed the car was stored in some public garage on the Western Side of the city.

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Bureau Agents conducted a canvass of these garages, and on May 4, 1956, the car in question was located in a public garage. A Bill of Sale for a Packard automobile similar to the one used in the hijacking, was found on subject [] when arrested. The Motor Number on this Bill of Sale corresponds with the one located in the public garage where body work had been ordered.

A piece of the insulation in the trunk of this car which was torn out by the driver while being held in the trunk of the car matches with the insulation removed today by Bureau Agents from this car after obtaining a search warrant May 5, 1956. It is also pointed out that plaster of paris casts made of tire tracks in the cemetery at West Chester

where driver was released, compare favorably with tires on the car located.

The Shulman Company, Freight Forwarders, advised on the morning of May 3, 1956, that the retail value of this merchandise had been determined as approximately \$300,000.00. After Agent's inventory of the merchandise at the Shulman Company, with Shulman employees present, it was determined that 706 out of 710 cartons stolen were recovered. The Company has indicated that they believed all of the merchandise is actually present, and the four cartons might not have been shipped or been misdirected.

It is recommended that Special Agent JOHN B. HARRINGTON, who developed the PCI who furnished the information in this case, be awarded the sum of \$150.00 since this information was vital to this case, and it is felt that he is also deserving of this award because of the manner in which he was able to control the PCI after she furnished the initial information in spite of [REDACTED]

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For Assistant Special Agent in Charge JOSEPH L. SCHMIT and Supervisor JAMES T. MORELAND, who supervised this case, I recommend that each be awarded \$100.00 in recognition for the excellent manner in which Assistant Special Agent in Charge SCHMIT took personal direction of this case in my absence, keeping in close contact with the Supervisor and Agents working the case, handling the press release, and numerous inquiries from the press and others who were interested in this case. It is felt that his capable handling of these matters brought much credit to the Bureau.

The case was supervised from its inception by Supervisor JAMES T. MORELAND, and it was necessary that many on the spot decisions be made which were handled in a capable fashion. The men working under his supervision showed good training in the manner in which they handled this entire investigation.

Regarding the other Agents who participated in this investigation, while it is recognized that their activity is not all equal, and the results achieved by each Agent is not comparable to that of each other Agent, it is difficult to single out a group of these Agents for recommendation greater than that of the entire squad.

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For example, Special Agent [redacted] worked throughout the day and well into the night on this case on May 1, 1956, worked all day on the investigation May 2, 1956, was one of the first cars to arrive for the surveillance at the Busch Drum Company on that afternoon, remained there throughout the night, participating in the recovery of the merchandise, and the arrest of the first two subjects, then continued to work throughout the day of May 3, 1956, without stopping to eat, from the afternoon of May 2 until the afternoon of May 3, 1956. The results achieved by the action of this Agent as well as several others who were with him is certainly commendable, and is deserving of commendation, however, in view of the large number of Agents who participated in the investigation, all of whom performed remarkably well, it is recommended that each of the Agents named below be awarded \$50.00. No Agent is included in this group recommendation who did not perform in a highly satisfactory manner on this case.

I desire to point out that the speed in which this case was handled has doubtless saved the Government thousands of dollars, and this would not have been possible without the information furnished by the PCI or without the undaunting efforts of the Agents involved, and without the good judgement displayed by the Agents, Supervisor, and Assistant Special Agent in Charge.

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BARRON, WILLIAM J.

[REDACTED]
CONWAY, JOSEPH L.

[REDACTED]
FORD, FRANK J.

FRANKFURT, PAUL B.

GLENVILLE, JOHN F.

GRANT, KENNETH M.

HAMRE, MERLE B.

[REDACTED]
HUBER, JOHN F.

[REDACTED]
MEINCKE, WILLIAM A.

[REDACTED]
MOORE, MARLIN H.

[REDACTED]
NORTON, GERARD J.

OITZINGER, JOHN J.

[REDACTED]
PARFET, GEORGE H.

PARKER, WILLIAM M.

[REDACTED]
SILAS, FRANCIS D., JR.

SMITH, HAMLIN A.

[REDACTED]
STADTMILLER, GEORGE

[REDACTED]
WICKLUND, FRED E., JR.

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ADDENDUM BY INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION:

SAC, Chicago, recommends incentive awards as follows:

SA John B. Harrington, \$150; ASAC Joseph L. Schmit and Supervisor James T. Moreland, \$100 each, and 31 additional Agents to receive \$50. each.

Case involves armed hijacking in Chicago on 5/1/56, of women's apparel valued at \$300,000. Case broken on 5/3/56, with arrest by Agents of 7 subjects and recovery of entire load. Very favorable press received.

Harrington developed ~~the~~ potential criminal informant who. [REDACTED]

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Results shown above were obtained through use of a surveillance on the Busch Company throughout the night of 5/2-3/56, and arrests followed when a suspect truck left the Busch Company containing some of the merchandise. Harrington controlled the PCT after she furnished the initial information in spite of [REDACTED]

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Schmit through personal direction in absence of the SAC, kept close contact with the supervisor and Agents working the case, handled the press release and numerous inquiries from the press and other interested parties.

Moreland supervised the case from its inception, made many on-the-spot decisions in a capable fashion, and his training of the men under him was reflected by the manner in which they handled the entire investigation.

SAC frankly states, with respect to remaining 31 Agents, it is difficult to single out a group of them for a recommendation greater than that of the entire squad. He does not attempt to justify the recommended \$50 award to each individually but points out they all participated remarkably well.

RECOMMENDATION OF INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION:

In view of the fact that instant investigation resulted in a speedy solution, effected tremendous recovery

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value and press coverage, it is recommended that Harrington, Schmit, and Moreland be afforded incentive awards, amounts to be fixed by the Administrative Division.

In regard to the remaining 31 Agents, it is undoubtedly true that it is difficult to single out a group for a greater award than that of the entire squad; however, in the case of SA [redacted] Chicago advised that he worked throughout the day and well into the night on 5/1/56, worked all day on 5/2/56, being one of the first Agents to arrive at the surveillance of the Busch Drum Company on 5/2/56, and remained there throughout the night. He participated in the recovery of the merchandise, the arrest of the first 2 subjects, and then continued to work throughout the day of 5/3/56, without stopping to eat from the afternoon of 5/2/56, until the afternoon of 5/3/56.

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It is recommended that in order to form the basis on which commendations may be made the attached letter requesting brief summary of the activities reflecting the part played by the remaining 30 Agents be sent to the Chicago Office.

See Let to Chicago 5/16/56 WAT Wire Follow CRD/rh

Enclosure

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST) Mr. Joseph L. Schmit o7175		2. DATE OF BIRTH 4-29-16	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO. F. B. I. 21756	4. DATE 5-4-56
This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:				
5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY) Promotion		6. EFFECTIVE DATE 5-6-56	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY Excepted by Law	
FROM		TO		
Special Agent GS 14 \$10,965 per annum Field		8. POSITION TITLE 9. SERVICE, SERIES, SALARY, GRADE 10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS 11. HEADQUARTERS	Same GS 15 \$11,610 per annum Field	
☒ FIELD ☐ DEPARTMENTAL		☒ FIELD ☐ DEPARTMENTAL		
13. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE NONE ☒ WWI ☐ OTHER ☐ 5-PT. ☐ 10-POINT DISAB. ☐ OTHER ☐		14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION Charles H. Stanley reassn FBE #54-D-240 eff 1-2-55 NEW ☒ VICE ☐ I. A. ☐ REAL ☐		
15. SEX M	16. RACE	17. APPROPRIATION S. & E., FBI 18. FROM: Same 18. TO: Same		19. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (ACCESSIONS ONLY)
APPROVED  DIRECTOR, F. B. I.		18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES-NO) Yes		20. LEGAL RESIDENCE ☐ CLAIMED ☐ PROVED STATE:
REMARKS: The provisions of the Universal Military Training and Service Act of 1951 have been complied with. The classification grade of this position is subject to post-audit and correction pursuant to Section 1310 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 - Public Law #253, approved 11-1-51.				
12 JUN 23 1956				
SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION				

June 15, 1956

~~Personal and Confidential~~

RECORDED
Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

I want to commend you in this way for your part in achieving a high degree of success with a confidential source of information pertaining to internal security matters.

Your effective, personal participation in and direction of this matter have been major factors in achieving such noteworthy results. I am truly appreciative of the leadership you have demonstrated in this respect.

Sincerely yours,

116-51-198
CC: SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)
Reurlet 6/6/56 captioned "CG 5824-S";
COMMENDATION MATTER."

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Based on Chicago memo 6/6/56 DSH:oc
SAC Schmit has personally met on number of occasions with above-named informant [redacted] and has participated in all conferences regarding his handling. Informant has advanced to highest levels of CP organization.

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Boardman _____
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August 22, 1956

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Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

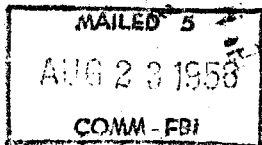
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ON 6-7-79

Dear Mr. Schmit:

It is a pleasure to express to you my sincere appreciation for the manner in which you have discharged your responsibilities in supervising security investigations in the Chicago Division, particularly with respect to the successful efforts of your office in obtaining certain vital data on an organization of special interest to the Bureau in this field.

I want you to know that I consider the leadership which you have displayed in these matters to be of very high calibre. I am happy to commend you for your major contributions to the gratifying results obtained.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover



CC: SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention) 116 851
Reurlet 8-13-56, captioned "Communist Party - USA..."

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Based on Chicago memo 8-13-56 jls/jcn and Addendum of Domestic Intelligence Division 8-17-56 CCL:hif

Commendation is for successful penetration by Chicago Office of CP financial matters.

September 20, 1956

Personal Attention

**Mr. Donald S. Hostetter
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois**

Joseph L. Schmitt

Dear Mr. Hostetter:

I want to express my sincere appreciation to you and through you to the personnel of the Chicago Office for the splendid assistance rendered during the convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

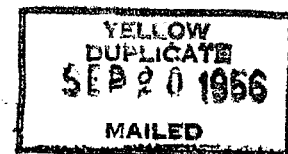
The contributions of these employees to the smooth functioning of the convention have been brought to my attention as worthy of special recognition. Please convey to the personnel involved my personal thanks and commendation.

Sincerely yours,

CC - SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention) Copy of this communication should be placed in personnel files of employees listed on attached page and in file of any other employees involved.

CC - [] (Sent Direct)

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LRH:cgt**



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Based on memo Rogers to Nichols 9-17-56. JSR:hvp

For personnel files of:

~~/~~ Joseph L. Schmit
Joseph A. Haggerty
Robert L. Murphy

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Raymond J. Driscoll

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William E. Hunter

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Francis W. Matthys

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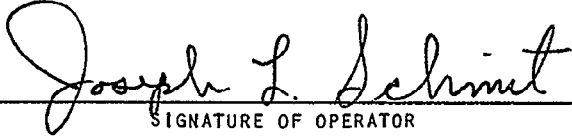
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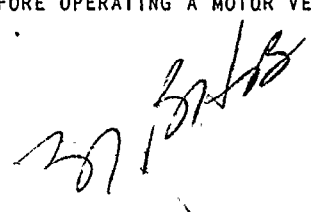
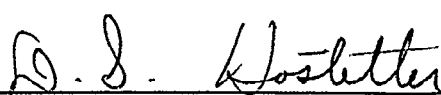
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PAST SAFE DRIVING RECORD CERTIFICATION

TO BE FILLED IN BY OPERATOR

NAME OF OPERATOR (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) SCHMIT, JOSEPH L.		DATE 6/28/56
DIVISION AND SECTION ASSIGNED Chicago Division		POSITION TITLE Assistant Special Agent in Charge
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I PRESENTLY ☒ HOLD ☐ DO NOT HOLD A VALID MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE.		
PERMIT ISSUED BY: (STATE, TERRITORY POSSESSION, DISTRICT) State of Illinois	PERMIT NUMBER A3-856-067	PERMIT EXPIRES 6/15/59
THIS IS AN ~~UNRESTRICTED~~ (RESTRICTED) PERMIT. (IF RESTRICTED, EXPLAIN BELOW) (STRIKE OUT ONE) Restricted to driving only when wearing corrective eye lens.		
THIS FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS I HAVE DRIVEN A MOTOR VEHICLE (GOVERNMENT OR PERSONALLY OWNED) APPROXIMATELY <u>25,000</u> MILES. DURING THIS TIME (A) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT RECEIVED A TRAFFIC VIOLATION TICKET; (B) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT BEEN HELD AT FAULT* AS THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. IF AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER, PLEASE EXPLAIN IN ADJACENT SPACE GIVING NUMBER AND DATES OF OFFENSES.		
* "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCEDED BY EMPLOYEE OR HIS INSURANCE COMPANY OR LIABILITY IS FIXED BY DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY.		 SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR

TO BE FILLED IN BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL

NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) HOSTETTER, D. S.		POSITION TITLE Special Agent in Charge	DATE 6/28/56
THE PERSONNEL FILE OF THIS EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS:			
☒ CONTINUOUS SAFE DRIVING RECORD ☐ INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AND FOUND AT FAULT **			
I CERTIFY THAT THIS EMPLOYEE IS:			
☒ QUALIFIED ON THE BASIS OF HIS SAFE DRIVING RECORD TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS. ☐ NOT QUALIFIED AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HIS QUALIFICATIONS BY SATISFACTORILY PASSING A ROAD TEST EXAMINATION BEFORE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.			
REMARKS: 			
67 - NOT RECORDED 5 OCT 3 1956			
** "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH THE BUREAU HAS TAKEN DISCIPLINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE.		 (SIGNATURE OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL)	

REVIEW AND CERTIFICATION BY DESIGNATED OFFICIAL	
I certify that I have reviewed this physical fitness inquiry form and other available information regarding the physical condition of the applicant, and that I have made the following determination: ☒ There is no information on this form or otherwise available to indicate that the applicant should be referred for physical examination. ☐ On the basis of items checked on this form or other information, this applicant must be referred for physical examination before he is authorized to operate a Government-owned motor vehicle or his current authorization is renewed. ☐ Items checked on this form or otherwise available do not warrant referral for medical examination because of the following facts: <i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>	
SIGNATURE OF DESIGNATED OFFICIAL	DATE
<i>D. S. Hostetter</i>	6-28-56

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TO : Mr. Nichols

FROM : J. S. Rogers

SUBJECT : CHICAGO OFFICE
PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS
IACP CONVENTION

9/17/56

Before leaving Chicago last Thursday, I asked SAC Hostetter and SA Joseph A. Haggerty to furnish the Bureau with a list of the employees of the Chicago Office who assisted at the IACP Convention, September 9 - 13/56. I have today received the requested list which is as follows:

SAC DONALD S. HOSTETTER, (General supervision and contacts).
ASAC/J. L. SCHMIT, (Supervision of arrangements for opening FBI quarters at Conrad Hilton Hotel, instructions to personnel concerning IACP duties),

Special Agents:

JOSEPH A. HAGGERTY - coordinated arrangements for obtaining and setting up office space and supervised temporary office at Conrad Hilton Hotel during the convention.

ROBERT MURPHY - assisted in making arrangements at the hotel. Arranged transportation, contacts and reservations.

[REDACTED]
RAYMOND J. DRISCOLL
WILLIAM H. GRAY

[REDACTED]
WILLIAM B. HUNTER

JOHN J. MATTHEWS
FRANCIS W. MATTHYS

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THOMAS W. PARRISH

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CARL MASON (On last day
of Convention chauffeured
Mr. Nichols and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] from railroad
station to hotel.)

Stenographers:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Special Employees:

[REDACTED]

SYDNEY J. SMITH

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Clerks:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(Clerk-Photographer)

[REDACTED]

All of the Bureau personnel assigned to assist during the IACP handled their assignments in excellent fashion. Group showed great deal of enthusiasm and initiative and appeared to be very alert to protect the Bureau's interests at all times. While the performances of the above-listed employees were such as to warrant recognition by the Director. I believe that this can best be accomplished by writing a very commendatory letter to SAC Hostetter for his performance and for the performance of the other personnel of his office and in such letter requesting that the Director's commendation to the other employees be conveyed to them by Mr. Hostetter. Sufficient copies of the letter to

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Hostetter should be prepared for the personnel files of all of those listed above and who should be mentioned in the letter to SAC Hostetter.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the letter of commendation be sent to SAC Hostetter thanking him for work done by him and his personnel during the recently concluded IACP Conference.

I think a separate letter should go to Hostetter for assistance of the office. In addition to a personal letter to Hostetter.

Done 9/20/56

LBN

Handled separately
on memo Mr. Nichols
to Mr. Tolson 9/17/56
lrh

ADDENDUM ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION CRD_lrh 9-19-56

Names of 32 employees not being included in letter to SAC since it is felt this would detract from effectiveness of the letter. However, on copy to the SAC names are being furnished and he is being instructed to place copy in personnel files of employees named and in file of any others who assisted in this matter.

RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

9-17-56

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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INSPECTOR'S MANUAL # 322
(issued 8-15-56)

RETURNED

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INSPECTOR'S MANUAL # 133
10 SEP 24 1956 (issued 4-7-52)

READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge
is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care
of it and returning it when its use has been completed.
DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN
ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

Joseph L. Schmit
Joseph L. Schmit

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-63) August 13, 1956

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (67-832)

SUBJECT : COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
FUNDS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
COMMENDATION MATTER

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

Rebulet August 8, 1956, requesting my recommendations for commendation to the administrative and investigative personnel of this office for the successful penetration of Communist Party financial matters.

Our intensified investigation of CP, USA Funds has attained highly gratifying results. While considerable information is received from live security informants, this office has been principally successful because of the development of extremely valuable anonymous sources together with the careful and thorough analysis of the results obtained from these sources. The supervisory and investigative personnel principally responsible for the results obtained are as follows:

Field Supervisor CARL N. FREYMAN

SA ☐

SA ☐

Security Squad #2

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The CP, USA, District #7 file and related sub-files (including Funds) are under the direct supervision of Supervisor FREYMAN. He has given careful thought to the

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DIRECTOR, FBI

August 13, 1956

Re: CP, USA
FUNDS
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COMMENDATION MATTER

analysis and subsequent compilation of funds material which has contributed greatly to the results obtained. SA [] is primarily responsible for the analysis of anonymous source material and has done an outstanding job in the sifting of voluminous documents in order to present as accurate a picture as possible of the situation in this district. SA [] is responsible for the preparation of the CP quarterly report and in such capacity is responsible for analysis of funds material. SAs [] and [] are jointly responsible for the analysis of all financial transactions in this district. I feel that the excellent analyses made by the above agents is amply reflected in the monthly letters submitted to the Bureau.

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Recommendation

Letters of commendation to SAs
FREYMAN, [] and []

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Field Supervisor []
Security Squad #1

Security Squad #1 is primarily responsible for the development of anonymous sources in the Communist field in the Chicago area. While CSCG 6050-S*, [] and CSCG 6079-S* provide the principal funds information, the agents under SA [] supervision are currently contacting ten highly productive anonymous sources on a regular basis in addition to other sources contacted on more infrequent occasions.

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These anonymous sources have been most carefully handled and developed, and the excellent judgment and foresight as well as planning in the handling of these sources is directly attributable to SA [] supervision. The following Special Agent personnel under SA [] supervision, have participated in the development of these sources and are responsible for the continued productivity of same.

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THOMAS J. CONRY
JOSEPH M. CULKIN

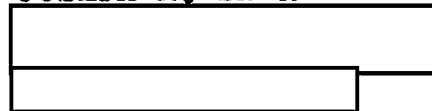


ELMER B. LITCHFIELD
HOWARD A. MC KAMEY

[]
BRADNER C. RIGGS
WILLIAM F. ROEMER, JR.



JOSEPH R. SHEA



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Recommendation

These Agents
commended thru letter
to SAC Hostetter. MOL

It is recommended that a letter of commendation be directed to Supervisor [] for his outstanding direction of this investigative technique. It is further recommended that this letter express the Director's appreciation for the fine work done by the employees under his supervision and thereafter the Chicago Office will place a copy of this letter in the personnel file of the Special Agents listed above.

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ADDENDUM

Domestic Intelligence Division August 17, 1956

The current information being furnished by Chicago concerning Communist Party funds reflects a comprehensive picture of the financial transactions and condition of the Communist Party in Chicago's territory.

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The data submitted by the Chicago Office in this regard reflects that a considerable amount of time and effort has gone into planning, obtaining, and intelligently analyzing the funds data. The Domestic Intelligence Division, therefore, concurs with the recommendations of SAC, Chicago.

In addition, it is recommended that a letter of commendation be forwarded to ASAC Joseph L. Schmit, who has over-all responsibility for security investigations in the Chicago Office and who has displayed excellent leadership in the investigation of the Communist Party. His past experience in investigations of Communist Party activities has effectively and consistently helped the Chicago Office to obtain extremely valuable intelligence data concerning Communist Party fund operations. It is believed that his leadership in this respect should receive recognition in the form of a letter of commendation.

It is also felt that the full extent of Chicago's success in this matter is attributable in no small way to the ultimate decisions rendered by the SAC, especially where anonymous source contacts were developed. It is to the credit of SAC Donald Hostetter that his personnel is receiving consideration for commendation for effective security investigations. Only through the leadership and inspiration fostered by SAC Hostetter has Chicago continued to move aggressively and intelligently against the Communist Party. It is recommended that SAC Hostetter receive a letter of commendation for his excellent administration of Bureau responsibilities insofar as they affect investigations concerning the funds of the Communist Party.

done 8/22/56
MOL:hlb

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

9-21-56

SAC, CHICAGO

DIRECTOR, FBI

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

SECURITY - ESPIONAGE CONFERENCE
October 22 and 23, 1956

Rebulet 9-13-56.

ASAC J. L. SCHMIT and Supervisor CARL N. FREYMAN,
Security Squad #2, will attend the conference commencing
10-22-56 UACB.

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1 - Chicago

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Mr. Belmont

OK 9/21/56

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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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W. J. [unclear]
October 22, 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Today I saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit, of the Chicago Field Division. Mr. Schmit makes a generally satisfactory appearance.

I told Mr. Schmit that I was concerned about the drop in accomplishments by the Chicago Office for the first three months of the current fiscal year, as compared with the first three months of the previous fiscal year, in that I noted that convictions had dropped sixteen per cent and automobile recoveries, ten per cent.

I also called Mr. Schmit's attention to the fact that nineteen per cent of the time of Special Agents in Chicago is spent in the office and that I considered this excessive.

I called Mr. Schmit's attention to the high percentage of delinquency in a number of classes of cases and I urged that this be given prompt attention and be reduced not to exceed twenty per cent in any class of cases.

I also mentioned to Mr. Schmit that twenty-one Agents in the Chicago Office had not yet qualified for testimony in the Federal Court and that this situation should be promptly remedied.

I likewise called attention to the fact that I noted that but 5.28 cases per Agent per month were being closed, whereas the average for the service was about 3 cases per Agent per month.

I likewise called Mr. Schmit's attention to the fact that it had been necessary to write sixteen letters of censure during the last six months to personnel of the Chicago Office and that I thought this was excessive.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

October 22, 1956

Mr. Schmit indicated that he was desirous of advancing in responsibility in the Bureau, and I told him that notation to this effect would be made.

Very truly yours,

151 J. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/13/56

FROM: *W.H.B.* INSPECTOR W. H. BUYSSUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT (ASAC)
Aide to Inspector

Tolson	_____
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Assisted me 11/27 to 12/14/56 in inspection of Indianapolis and Pittsburgh Divisions. He served as Number One Man.

This was ASAC SCHMIT's fourth assignment to field inspection duties. He is a thoroughly experienced Bureau investigator, supervisor and administrator. He has an excellent knowledge of overall policies and procedures. He was highly industrious, exercised sound judgment and displayed considerable aggressiveness, resourcefulness and initiative. His work required practically no supervision. His attitude was excellent. He was fully cooperative and willingly shared the burden of the extra workload. He is a highly valuable Bureau official and inspector's aide.

ASAC SCHMIT EOD 1/6/41 and has been stationed at the Seat of Government and in six field divisions including Chicago, his present post of assignment. He dresses neatly and well and has a pleasant and likeable personality. He appears to be in excellent health and is emotionally stable. He is available for general and special assignments and is desirous of advancing in Bureau's service along administrative lines.

Rating: Satisfactory

Reviewed By: *JHB*

Aide's Initials

WHB:jw
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cc: SAC, Chicago (Personal & Confidential)

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RECOMMENDATION: That ASAC Schmit be afforded additional responsibilities when possible.

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Memo for the Director

ADDENDUM:

While at Pittsburgh during this inspection, I talked to Schmit on several occasions.

Schmit is of average height and has dark hair and complexion. He is neat in his dress. He is not a stand-out in personal appearance on the first meeting.

However, Schmit is one of our soundest field security supervisors. While he was ASAC at Denver and since he has been ASAC at Chicago, the security work of those offices take on an added quality of vigor and imagination. In discussing the security problem at Pittsburgh, I was again impressed with his comprehension of our security program and the soundness of his approach.

W. M. Shelton

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

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Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175

Where Assigned: CHICAGO
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Rating Period: from 4-1-56 to 3-31-57

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

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Rated by: J. S. Hostetter Special Agent in Charge 3-31-57
D. S. HOSTETTER Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: _____ Signature Title Date

J. P. Mohr Assistant Director APR 26 1957

Rating Approved by: _____ Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

(x) Official
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() Separation from Service

() Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance. IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175 Assistant Special
Title Agent in Charge
Rating Period: from 4-1-56 to 3-31-57

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.

- Rate items as follows:
- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
 - E Excellent.
 - ✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
 - Unsatisfactory.
 - O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). <u>+</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. <u>+</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. <u>+</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives. <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. <u>+</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. <u>+</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties. <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application. <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. <u>+</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases <u>+</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases <u>+</u> (c) Fugitive cases <u>O</u> (d) Applicant cases <u>O</u> (e) Accounting cases <u>E</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability. <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) <u>+</u> (20) Performance as a witness. <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Leadership <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel <u>+</u> (c) Planning <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale <u>+</u> (j) Getting results <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) As leader <u>+</u> (b) As participant <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> Dictation ability _____ |
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A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): ASAC

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Executive, Inspector's Aide, Speaker

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS JLS
 Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175
Ass't. Special Agent in Charge
Grade GS-15
EOD 1-6-41

PART I - GENERAL COMMENTS

Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT presents an excellent personal appearance and has an impressive attractive personality. He is an attorney, accountant, and has had extensive experience in the security field. He is well qualified to direct and supervise investigations in the criminal and security field of a complicated nature.

He has direct responsibility at Chicago for security matters and Resident Agents, and, in addition, handles numerous other duties normally assigned to an Assistant Special Agent in Charge. He has handled these duties and responsibilities in an outstanding manner and in my opinion there has been considerable progress at Chicago in the security field and much of this has been due to his personal leadership.

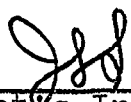
Many favorable comments have been received concerning his ability as a Bureau speaker.

He was commended by the Bureau on 6-7-56 for the capable manner in which he handled the overall supervision of the TFIS case involving [redacted] and others.

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He was commended by the Bureau on 6-15-56 for the part he played in achieving a high degree of success with a confidential source of information pertaining to internal security matters.

He was commended by the Bureau on 8-22-56 for the manner in which he had discharged his responsibilities in supervising security investigations at Chicago, particularly with respect to data obtained on an organization of special interest to the Bureau.


Agent's Initials

On 9-20-56 the Bureau commended those employees at Chicago who rendered assistance in connection with the IACP Convention. Mr. SCHMIT was one of the employees who participated.

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable.

2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide

ASAC SCHMIT has served as an Inspector's Aide on numerous occasions. He served as #1 man from 11/27 to 12/14/56 on inspections at Indianapolis and Pittsburgh. The Inspector observed that Mr. SCHMIT was a highly valuable Bureau official and Inspector's Aide.

3. Participation in Informant Programs

He supervises the Security Informant Program at Chicago and Bureau records will reflect that there has been a consistent increase in coverage. There has been a sizeable increase in the amount and quality of valuable information secured under this program and much of this improvement can be attributed directly to his guidance and leadership. He has personally assisted in contacting and directing the activities of a highly placed security informant with considerable success. He has exercised excellent judgment in handling numerous problems which have confronted this informant.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

He has testified in Federal Court on numerous occasions and is well qualified as a witness.

5. Disciplinary Action

Not applicable.

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable.


Agent's Initials

7. Police Instruction

Not applicable.

8. Sound Training

Not applicable.

9. Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement

He is well qualified to handle the duties of Special Agent in Charge in any Bureau field office. He is very close to being Outstanding on all categories and in my opinion is one of the most capable employees serving in the field.


Agent's Initials

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following ~~Teletype~~ message to:

TO: / DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO

RE: ASAC JOSEPH L. USCHMIT
CHANGE OF ADDRESS

r. Tolson
r. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
26/57
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

4/26/57

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This is to advise that effective immediately ASAC SCHMIT's residence and phone number will be as follows:

702 Mulford Avenue
Evanston, Illinois

Telephone: GRGreenleaf 5-0371.

3 - Bureau
1 - Chicago

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Noted in
Comm. Sect
By Lew Jones

Approved: JJH
Special Agent in Charge

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AIRTEL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO
RE: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
CHANGE OF ADDRESS

4/26/57

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
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Checked by: *alp*
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NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST) MR. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT 07175		2. DATE OF BIRTH 4-29-16	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO. F. B. I. 17415	4. DATE 1-25-57																				
This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:																								
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CLINICAL EVALUATION		
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✓		19. NOSE
✓		20. SINUSES
✓		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
✓		22. EARS—GENERAL (Int. & ext. canals) (Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71)
✓		23. DRUMS (Perforation)
✓		24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 60, 60a, and 61)
✓		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
✓		26. PUPILS (Equality and reaction)
✓		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)
✓		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (Include breasts)
✓		29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)
✓		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)
✓		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (Include hernia)
✓		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate if indicated)
✓		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
✓		34. G-U SYSTEM
✓		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion)
✓		36. FEET
✓		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion)
✓		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
✓		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
✓		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
✓		41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)
✓		42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)

59. Myopia, moderate, bilateral, developmental.
#46. CHEST: The lung markings in the infraclavicular region of the left upper lobe are prominent and a few faint nodular densities are noted in the 1st and 2nd anterior interspace, etiology undetermined. No other abnormality noted.

(Continue in item 73)

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

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45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.020

46. CHEST X-RAY-(Place, date, film number, result)

(see above)

50. OTHER TESTS

50. OTHER TESTS

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47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result)

Cardiolipin = Negative

MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT <i>5' 7"</i>		52. WEIGHT <i>168</i>		53. COLOR HAIR <i>Black gray</i>		54. COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>		55. BUILD: SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE ☐		56. TEMP. <i>98.6°</i>																											
57. BLOOD PRESSURE (Arm at heart level)						58. PULSE (Arm at heart level)																															
SITTING	SYS. <i>120</i> DIA. <i>75</i>	RECUM- BENT	SYS. <i>120</i> DIA. <i>85</i>	STANDING (3 min.)	SYS. <i>125</i> DIA. <i>80</i>	SITTING	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.																											
59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION		61. NEAR VISION																																	
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62. HETEROPHORIA: (Specify distance) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD																																					
63. ACCOMMODATION RIGHT <i>Normal</i> LEFT <i>normal</i>				64. COLOR VISION (Test used and result) <i>normal; yarn test</i>				65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (Test used and score) UNCORRECTED CORRECTED																													
66. FIELD OF VISION <i>normal to confrontation</i>				67. NIGHT VISION (Test used and score)				68. RED LENS																													
69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION <i>(normal to palpation)</i>																																					
70. HEARING		71. AUDIOMETER						72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (Tests used and score)																													
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73. NOTES (continued) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (List diagnoses with item numbers)

59. Myopia, moderate, bilateral, developmental.

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (Specify)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (Check)
☐ IS
☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

*DR. N. VANDORF
EYE, ENT.*

SIGNATURE

Nathaniel Van Dorf M.D.

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

W.B. Rouse

SIGNATURE

W.B. Rouse M.D.

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (Indicate which)

S. J. MC CARTHY, DDS

SIGNATURE

S. J. McCarthy D.D.S.

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY

SIGNATURE

NUMBER OF AT-
TACHED SHEETS
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ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88, REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION
(Revised August 10, 1956)

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

Name of examinee: Schmit JOSEPH LUKE
(Type or print) Last First Middle

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67
3	68
11	69
14	71 (Item 71, audiometer examinations, should be afforded whenever possible.)
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65	72

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X-ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS
OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is qualified for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)
(is or is not)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?
☐ Yes ☒ No

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING
TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

[Signature]
[Signature]

Nathaniel Van Dief
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAY 21 1957

(Date)

ENCLOSURE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 5/14/57
Address 702 MULFORD, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 5/14/57
Address AS ABOVE

Very truly yours,

Joseph L. Schmit
Special Agent

JUN 3 1957

Name: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

Title: ASSISTANT SPECIAL
AGENT IN CHARGE

Payroll #: 07175

Grade: GS-15 at \$11,610

EOD: 1-6-41

Not on Probation

Non-Veteran

SAC HOSTETTER: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT has served as ASAC at Chicago since 1-10-55. He has direct responsibility for all security matters and supervises Resident Agents in addition to handling other miscellaneous duties. He has functioned effectively while in charge of the office during my absence and I think he is well qualified at this time to handle the duties of a Special Agent in Charge. He is a leader; he has ability, judgment, and the type of attitude that is desirable. He has excellent potential for administrative advancement and is a real asset to the Bureau.

Rating: EXCELLENT

INSPECTOR EDWARDS: ASAC Schmit is an experienced, intelligent and capable ASAC. Because of his small stature he does not make an ^{overly} impressive appearance but his personality, poise and obvious sincerity compensate for this in some measure. Although well versed in all Bureau operations, Schmit is especially well qualified to direct security investigations and would be a definite asset to any of the larger offices where security matters constitute a major phase of its operations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Included in summary memorandum submitted for Director.

CHICAGO INSPECTION

April 30, 1957

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUL 18 1957

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

URGENT 7-18-57 3-54 PM ER

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 2P

THEFT FROM INTERSTATE SHIPMENT
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

[REDACTED] ET AL, TFIS, ITSP. RE PHONE CALL THIS DATE FROM ASST. b6 b7C

DIRECTOR ROSEN. FOLLOWING EXPLANATION IS SUBMITTED BY ASAC J. L.

SCHMIT WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF OFFICE IN MY ABSENCE JULY SEVENTEEN, WHILE

I ATTENDED FIREARMS TRAINING. THE FACT THAT SEVENTH CIRCUIT COURT

OF APPEALS HANDED DOWN DECISION JULY SIXTEEN IN CAPTIONED MATTER

REVERSING CONVICTION FIRST APPEARED IN CG NEWSPAPERS MORNING OF JULY

SEVENTEEN. SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL ON DUTY, ASAC SCHMIT READ ACCOUNT

OF DECISION IN ^{CHICAGO} CG DAILY TRIBUNE WHICH IN SUBSTANCE REMANDED THE CASE,

ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER CLIPPING, BECAUSE OF A ~~QUOTE~~ HANDBOOK FOR JURORS

~~UNQUOTE~~ WHICH WAS UTILIZED IN DISTRICT COURT IN CG AT TIME CASE WAS

TRIED. RECOGNIZING POSSIBLE IMPORTANCE OF THIS DECISION, ASAC

SCHMIT INSTRUCTED SA [REDACTED] TO OBTAIN COPIES OF COURT

DECISION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO IT COULD BE ANALYZED AND SENT TO BUREAU

ON SAME DATE. IT WAS CONSIDERED JUDGMENT OF ASAC THAT IT WOULD NOT

HAVE BEEN PROPER TO HAVE IMMEDIATELY CALLED THE BUREAU ON BASIS OF

NEWSPAPER CLIPPING BUT THAT A COPY OF DECISION COULD BE SECURED SO

END PAGE ONE

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Mr. Rosen

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

8 JUL 25 1957

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to Schmit

7/25/57 J. L. J.

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THAT FULL FACTS SURROUNDING COURT DECISION WOULD BE AVAILABLE. AS SOON AS COPY OF COURT DECISION SECURED ON SAME DAY, JULY SEVENTEEN, THE DECISION WAS REVIEWED AND ANALYZED AND NOTHING WAS NOTED THEREIN INDICATING ANY IMPROPER ACTION ON PART OF FBI OR FBI PERSONNEL.

AS SOON AS REVIEW COMPLETED, AN AIRTEL WAS IMMEDIATELY DICTATED AND A COPY OF COURT DECISION TRANSMITTED BY AIR MAIL TO BUREAU SAME DATE.

IT WAS NOTED THAT CIRCUIT COURT DECISION IS FIFTEEN PAGES IN LENGTH.

SUBSEQUENTLY A PHONE CALL WAS RECEIVED FROM MR. L. B. NICHOLS WHO INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER THE CG OFFICE WAS AWARE OF THE DECISION AND HE WAS INFORMED THAT WE WERE AND THAT A COPY WAS BEING TRANSMITTED TO THE BUREAU BY AIR MAIL THE SAME DATE. ASAC SCHMIT STATES THAT IF HE ERRED IN NOT IMMEDIATELY NOTIFYING THE BUREAU UPON REVIEWING THE NEWSPAPER CLIPPING RATHER THAN WAITING UNTIL A COPY OF THE COURT DECISION WAS SECURED, THIS ERROR OF JUDGMENT IS REGRETTED. IN VIEW OF

FOREGOING FACTS SURROUNDING HANDLING OF THIS MATTER I DO NOT FEEL THAT ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION IS WARRANTED AND RECOMMEND AGAINST ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION..

END ACK PLS

~~LINE NINE PAGE ONE V~~

~~THIRD FROM LAST WORD PLS~~

~~LINE NINE FIRST PAGE~~

~~ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER CLIPPING, BECAUSE OF A QUOTE HANDBOOK~~

5-02 PM OK FBI WA RG

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I do not agree. I do wish our executives would purge themselves of the mañana attitude.

MR. ROSEN
AND SUPERVISOR
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

July 19, 1957

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

It has been noted that on July 17, 1957, you received information reflecting that a decision in the Theft from Interstate Shipment case involving [redacted] had been handed down by the Circuit Court of Appeals and you failed to immediately advise the Bureau of this. You should have recognized the need to call this matter to the Bureau's attention without delay and you were at fault for failing to do this.

Hereafter, you will be expected to perform your official duties with greater alertness and aggressiveness so that there will be no further reason to criticize you in this manner.

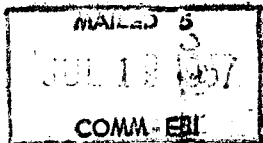
Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)
SOG Chicago Field Office File

Based on Chicago Teletype 7/18/57



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Nichols _____
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Mohr _____
Parsons _____
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

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Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175

Where Assigned: CHICAGO
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Rating Period: from 4-1-57 to 9-20-57

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

Rated by:

D. S. Hostetter
Signature
D. S. HOSTETTER

Special Agent
in Charge
Title

9-20-57
Date

Reviewed by:

J. F. Mohr
Signature

Assistant Director
Title

OCT 2 1957
Date

Rating Approved by:

Signature

Title

Date

TYPE OF REPORT

() Official

() Annual

(X) Administrative

() 60-Day

() Transfer

() Separation from Service

(X) Special SEP 1957

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175 Title Assistant Special Agent in Charge
 Rating Period: from 4-1-57 to 9-20-57

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.

- Rate items as follows:
~~+~~ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
~~E~~ Excellent.
~~✓~~ Satisfactory (good or very good).
~~-~~ Unsatisfactory.
~~O~~ No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| ~~+~~ (1) Personal appearance.
~~+~~ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
~~+~~ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
~~+~~ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
~~+~~ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
~~+~~ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
~~+~~ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
~~+~~ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
~~+~~ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
~~+~~ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
~~+~~ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
~~+~~ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
~~+~~ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
~~✓~~ (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
~~+~~ (15) Investigative ability and results:
~~+~~ (a) Internal security cases
~~+~~ (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
~~+~~ (c) Fugitive cases
~~O~~ (d) Applicant cases
~~O~~ (e) Accounting cases
~~E~~ (16) Physical surveillance ability. | ~~✓~~ (17) Firearms ability.
~~+~~ (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
~~+~~ (19) Reporting ability:
~~+~~ (a) Investigative reports
~~+~~ (b) Summary reports
~~+~~ (c) Memos, letters, wires
(Consider: ~~+~~ conciseness; ~~+~~ clarity; ~~+~~ organization; ~~+~~ thoroughness; ~~+~~ accuracy; ~~+~~ adequacy and pertinency of leads; ~~+~~ administrative detail.)
~~+~~ (20) Performance as a witness.
~~+~~ (21) Executive ability:
~~+~~ (a) Leadership
~~+~~ (b) Ability to handle personnel
~~+~~ (c) Planning
~~+~~ (d) Making decisions
~~+~~ (e) Assignment of work
~~+~~ (f) Training subordinates
~~+~~ (g) Devising procedures
~~+~~ (h) Emotional stability
~~+~~ (i) Promoting high morale
~~+~~ (j) Getting results
~~+~~ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
~~+~~ (a) As leader
~~+~~ (b) As participant
~~+~~ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
~~+~~ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
~~+~~ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
Dictation ability _____

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A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): ASAC

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Executive, Inspector's Aide, Speaker

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
 Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS JLS

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Grade GS-15
EOD 1-6-41

The annual performance rating submitted on 3-31-57 reflects my present views concerning the capabilities of this employee. There has been no change in the nature of the work he has handled.

In reaching the above conclusion I considered the letter of censure he received from the Bureau on 7-19-57 for failing to advise the Bureau expeditiously concerning a decision handed down by the Circuit Court of Appeals in a Theft From Interstate Shipment case involving [redacted] He handled this matter while I was temporarily out of the office and utilized an airtel in lieu of a teletype or telephone call. In other similar instances, both prior and subsequent, he has exercised excellent judgment about matters of this nature.

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I have previously stated that he, in my opinion, is one of the most capable employees serving in the field and there has been no change in this evaluation.



Initials

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (1-5)
SUBJECT: SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE
FOR SPECIAL AGENTS

COPY 142
DATE: October 30, 1957

Re SAC letter 57-2 dated January 8, 1957.

The following is a proposed schedule for the Semi-Annual Special Agents' Conference and Technical Conference to be held in the Chicago Office on December 12 and 13, 1957.

Semi-Annual Conference

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
Instructions, Comments and SAC letters	SAC R.D. AUERBACH
Interesting Case Memoranda	SA MARLIN H. MOORE
The Informant Program	SA [REDACTED]
Current Security Picture	ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMITZ
Recent Developments in Chicago re ITSP Matters	SA EDWARD KINZER
Films: "Traffic With the Devil" "Defensive Tactics"	
Inspections - Substantive Errors	SA RAYMOND J. DRISCOLL
Care and Maintenance of Bucars Safe Winter Driving Habits	SA [REDACTED]

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Semi-Annual Technical Conference

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
Handling of Fingerprint Cards	SA HENRY HIRSCHENBERGER
Discussion of Photo Record Camera	SA RALPH D. HARMON
Discussion - Demonstration of Speed Graphic Camera	SA

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It is planned to divide the agent personnel into two groups with one group attending the conference December 12 and the second group attending December 13.

LAST NAME <i>Schmit, Joseph L., SA</i>		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL <i>6-11</i>		IDENTIFICATION No. <i>1-6-56</i>		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR														
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LEAVE RECORD																								
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LAST NAME <i>Schmit, Joseph L., SA</i>		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE <i>1-6-41</i>		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR <i>1955</i>												

Schmit, Joseph L.		6 til	1-6-56																			
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR														
Standard Form No. 1137		LEAVE RECORD			☆ GPO 16-48900-1		Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946															
General Regulations No. 102																						
MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD						
		TAKEN	HRS.	TAKEN	HRS.			TAKEN	HRS.	TAKEN	HRS.	DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL	PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.			
JANUARY	2			6		JULY	16			90		60										
	3			12			17			96		64										
	4			18																		
FEBRUARY	5			24	2	2	16			102		68										
	6			30			18			108		72										
							20			114		76										
MARCH	7			36	2	4	24			120		80	0									
	8			42	2	6	28			126		84										
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APRIL	10			54			36			132		88	0	REMARKS								
	11			60			40			138		92	0									
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MAY	12			66			44			144		96	0	ITEM		ANN.	SICK					
	13	48	72	72			48			150		100	0	BAL. FORWARDED		548	79.3					
JUNE														YR. ACCRUAL		166	108					
	14	40	112	78			52			160		104	0	TOTAL		714	9.01					
	15			84			56			166		108	0	TOTAL TAKEN		139	19					
																		BALANCE		548	575	88.2
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR										
Schmit, Joseph L., SA								1-6-41				1953 Bu										

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR								
Standard Form No. 1137 General Regulations No. 102				LEAVE RECORD ✓				☆ GPO 16-48900-1		Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946										
MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD				
		TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN			HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	W-AWL-SUSPENDED				PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.	
		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.				TOTAL	HRS.		TOTAL	HRS.	TOTAL	DATE					TYPE
JANUARY	26			4		JULY	16	8	128	88										
	3			10			17			94										
	4			16																
FEBRUARY	5	8	8	22	13	13	14			100										
	6			28			18			106										
							19			112										
							20													
MARCH	7			34			21			118										
	8			40			22	8	136	124										
	9			46																
APRIL	10			52	16	29	23			130										
	11			58			24			136										
MAY	12			64			25			142										
	13			70			26			148										
JUNE	14	40	40	76			1	8	144	158										
	15	72	120	82																
												REMARKS								
												YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)								
												ITEM				ANN.		SICK		
												BAL. FORWARDED				548		720		
												YR. ACCRUAL				158		102		
												TOTAL				706		822		
												TOTAL TAKEN				144		29		
												BALANCE				548		793		
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR								
Schmit, Joseph L., SA								1-6-41				1952								

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION NO.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR											
Standard Form No. 1137 General Regulations No. 102				LEAVE RECORD				GPO 16-48999-1		Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946													
MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY. W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD							
		TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN			HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	W-AWL-SUSPENDED				PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.				
		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.				TOTAL	HRS.		TOTAL	HRS.	TOTAL	DATE					TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL	
JANUARY	23	4	4	4			8	JULY	16			116			48								
	3			12					17			124											
	4			20	8	8																	
FEBRUARY	5	3	7	28			18	AUGUST	18	1	140	132			48								
	6	4	11	36					19			140											
MARCH	7			44			18	SEPTEMBER	20			148			48								
	8			52	8	16			21			*143											
									22	8	148	149											
APRIL	9			60	32	48	26	OCTOBER	23			155			48								
	10	8	19	68					24			*180											
	11			76																			
MAY	12			84			36	NOVEMBER	25			188			48								
	13			92					26			196											
JUNE	14	80	99	100			46	DECEMBER	1	5	153	204			48								
	15	40	139	108					20	8	161	208											
												548											
LAST NAME SA Schmit, Joseph L.												FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION NO.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE 1-6-41		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR 1951	

* 13 hrs deducted

REMARKS

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	548	720
YR. ACCRUAL	208	48
TOTAL	756	768
TOTAL TAKEN	161	48
BALANCE	595	720

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR											
Standard Form No. 1137 General Regulations No. 102				LEAVE RECORD				GPO 16-48089-1		Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946													
MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD			
		TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.			TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL	PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.
		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.	TOTAL				HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.	TOTAL									
JANUARY	24			4				JULY	16			116											
	3			12			10		17	80	136	124											
	4	1	1	20																			
FEBRUARY	5			28			20	AUGUST	18	40	176	132											
	6			36	8	8			19			140											
MARCH	7	4	5	44			30	SEPTEMBER	20			148											
	8			52					21			156											
APRIL	9			60			40	OCTOBER	22			164											
	10			68	16	24			23	2	178	172											
	11			76					24			186											
MAY	12	8	13	84			47	NOVEMBER	25			188	8	32	51								
	13			92					26			196	4	36									
JUNE	14	40	53	100			47	DECEMBER	1	14	192	204											
	15	3	56	108					20			208											
																REMARKS							
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																ITEM				ANN.		SICK	
																BAL. FORWARDED				548		697	
																YR. ACCRUAL				208		59	
																TOTAL				756		756	
																TOTAL TAKEN				192		36	
																BALANCE				548		720	
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR											
SA		Schmit, Joseph L.						1-6-41				1950											

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION NO.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR									
Standard Form No. 1137 General Regulations No. 102												Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946									
LEAVE RECORD																					
MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD					
		TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN			HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL	PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.		
		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.				TOTAL	HRS.										TOTAL	
JANUARY	26	21	21	4	1	1	JULY	16			116			18							
	3			12				17	40	111	124										
	4			20	4	5															
FEBRUARY	5	8	29	28	2	7	AUGUST	18	80	191	132			18							
	6			36	7	14		19			140										
MARCH	7			44	2	16	SEPTEMBER	20			148			18							
	8			52	2	18		21			156										
APRIL	9	2	31	60			OCTOBER	22			164			26							
	10			68				23			172										
								24			180	8	26								
MAY	11			76			NOVEMBER	25			188	27	53	36							
	12			84				26			196	16	69								
	13	40	71	92																	
JUNE	14			100			DECEMBER	1			204			46							
	15			108				20			208										
												548				BALANCE				565	697
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION NO.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR									
SA		Schmit, Joseph L.						1-6-41				1949									

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR								
Standard Form No. 1137 General Regulations No. 102												Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. June 28, 1946								
LEAVE RECORD																				
GPO 16-48990-2																				
MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD				
		TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN			HRS. ACCR.	TAKEN		HRS. ACCR.	W-AWL-SUSPENDED				PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.	
		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.				TOTAL	HRS.		TOTAL	HRS.	TOTAL	DATE					TYPE
JANUARY	1	16	16	8		JULY	15			116			68							
	2			16			10	16			124									
	3			24	8		P													
FEBRUARY	4			32		20	17			132			68							
	5			40			18	8	117	140										
MARCH	6			48		30	19			148			68							
	7	72	88	56			20	32	149	156										
APRIL	8			64		40	21	80	229	164			68	REMARKS						
	9			72	8	16	22			172										
							23			180										
MAY	10			80		50	24	3	232	188			76	YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)						
	11			88			25			196	8	24								
	12	16	104	92																
JUNE	13	5	109	100		60	26			204	2	26	80	ITEM	ANN.	SICK				
	14			108			20			208	2	28	BAL. FORWARDED	572	668					
														YR. ACCRUAL				208	80	
														TOTAL				780	748	
														TOTAL TAKEN				232	28	
														BALANCE				548	720	
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR								
SA Schmit,		Joseph L.						1-6-41				1948								

EMPLOYEE SA Schmit, Joseph L. EOD 1-6-47 DIV.

ACC. ANN.		66-5 ✓		ACC. SICK		70-4 ✓		ADV. SICK		76-4 ✓		79-6 ✓		73-0 ✓													
ACCURED ANN.																											
ACCURED SICK																											
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Calendar Year 1947

LWOP SUSP.

No. of days _____

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Sick lost _____

ANNUAL

As of 1-1-47 66-5 72-4

Current Acc. 74-4 11-4

Total 81-1 84-0

Leave lost _____

Balance _____

Total taken 8-5 12-4

Balance 1-1-48 72-4 71-4 ✓

(amt. lost) _____

SICK

As of 1-1-47 70-4 ✓

Current Acc. 15-0

Total 85-4

Leave lost _____

Balance _____

Total taken 2-0

Balance 1-1-48 83-4 ✓

ACC. ANN.				ACC. SICK				ADV. SICK																			
54-5				57-4																							
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Calendar Year 1946

LWOP SUSP.

No. of days _____

Annual lost _____

Sick lost _____

ANNUAL

As of 1-1-46 54-5

Current Acc. 26-0 ✓

Total 80-5

Leave lost _____

Balance _____

Total taken 14-0

Balance 1-1-47 66-5 ✓

(amt. lost) _____

SICK

As of 1-1-46 57-4 ✓

Current Acc. 15-0

Total 72-4

Leave lost _____

Balance _____

Total taken 2-0

Balance 1-1-47 70-4 ✓

EMPLOYEE: SA

Schmit, Joseph L. E.O.D.

19 1-6-41

DIV.

ACC. ANN. 30-3-38

ACC. SICK 22-5-32 ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1943

DAY OF NO.	JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY			JUNE			JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER			
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EMPLOYEE: SA

Schmit, Joseph L. E.O.D.

19 1-6-41

DIV.

ACC. ANN. 16-1-58

ACC. SICK 14-5-32 ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1942

DAY OF MO.	JANUARY			FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY			JUNE			JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER			
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1. NAME Schmit Joseph Luke
 LAST FIRST MIDDLE

2. OFFICE OF ASSIGNMENT Bureau

NOTE: PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING FORM.

IF IN BUREAU 15 YEARS FROM EOD LISTED UNDER ITEM 8 AND NO LEAVE WITHOUT PAY IN EXCESS OF 6 MONTHS IN ANY ONE CALENDAR YEAR, AS LISTED UNDER ITEM 10, IT WILL ONLY BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO CERTIFY YOUR STATUS BY PLACING A CHECK MARK IN THE "15 YEARS OR OVER" BOX IN THE "TOTAL FEDERAL SERVICE" SPACE AT THE TOP OF THIS PAGE, AND SIGNING THE FORM. DO NOT FILL IN OTHER INFORMATION IN SUCH CASES.

**TOTAL
FEDERAL SERVICE**

(CHECK ONE, PER ITEM 11)

LESS
THAN
3 YRS.

3 YRS. BUT
LESS THAN
15 YRS.

15 YRS.
OR
OVER

(AS OF CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JANUARY 6, 1952)

DATE YOU WILL REACH NEXT CATEGORY:

1 MONTH

6 DAY

56 YEAR

3. PREVIOUS CIVILIAN
GOVERNMENT SERVICE
(GIVE COMPLETE NAME OF AGENCY
AND BRANCH)

DATE EOD

DATE SEPARATED

TOTAL LENGTH OF SERVICE
WITH EACH AGENCY

YRS.

MOS.

DAYS

TOTALS

ITEMS 4, 6, 8
9, 10, and 11

YRS.

MOS.

DAYS

4. TOTAL LENGTH OF PREVIOUS CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(ADD ALL TIME LISTED UNDER ITEM 3, DIVIDE TOTAL DAYS BY 30, TOTAL MONTHS BY 12, — GIVE TOTAL IN EXACT YEARS, MONTHS AND DAYS SERVED)

5. MILITARY SERVICE
(INDICATE BRANCH — ARMY, NAVY,
MARINE CORPS, COAST GUARD, AIR
FORCE, ETC. IF NO MILITARY SER-
VICE, WRITE "NONE" IN THIS SPACE)

DATE ENTERED ON
ACTIVE DUTY

DATE GIVEN ON SEPARATION DOCUMENT

DATE DISCHARGED

DATE GIVEN ON SEPARATION DOCUMENT

TOTAL SERVICE WITH
MILITARY (EACH BRANCH)

YRS.

MOS.

DAYS

FOLD ON THIS LINE

6. TOTAL MILITARY SERVICE

(ADD ALL TIME LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, DIVIDE TOTAL DAYS BY 30, TOTAL MONTHS BY 12 — GIVE TOTAL IN EXACT YEARS, MONTHS AND DAYS SERVED)

7. STATUS AT TIME
OF ENTRANCE ON
DUTY WITH ARMED
FORCES (CHECK ONE)

ON MILITARY LEAVE FROM
CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT
SERVICE

RESIGNED FROM CIVILIAN
GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO
ENTER ARMED FORCES

ENTERED ARMED FORCES FROM
PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT OR
SCHOOL

8. PRESENT FBI
SERVICE

(IF REINSTATED, LIST DATES
OF PREVIOUS SERVICE WITH
FBI UNDER ITEM 3)

LATEST EOD
DATE

1 6 41
MONTH DAY YEAR

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11. FEDERAL SERVICE TIME - NET TOTAL

(SUBTRACT ITEM 10 FROM ITEM 9. THIS WILL GIVE YOU YOUR ACTUAL SERVICE TIME.)

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY
KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

(SIGNED)

(DATE)

(WRITTEN SIGNATURE)



Joseph L. Schmit

1-2-52

1. Agency and organizational designations				2. Pay roll period		3. Block No.		4. Slip No. 7.60	
5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate) 07175				6. Grade and salary GS 15 \$11,000					
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								13. Audited by	
☒ Periodic step-increase ☐ Pay adjustment ☐ Other step-increase									
14. Effective date 11-2-57	15. Date last equivalent increase 5-6-56	16. Old salary rate \$11,410	17. New salary rate \$11,000	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.					
19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods): Period(s):				(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP) ☐ In pay status at end of waiting period. ☐ In LWOP status at end of waiting period.					
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Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S.
Nov. 8, 1950, General Regulations No. 102

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*Just
H. J. Ford*

November 19, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On Thursday, November 14, 1957, I saw Mr. Joseph L. Schmit, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Field Division, who was attending a two-day Espionage Conference. Mr. Schmit is very businesslike in manner, makes a good impression and seems to have a full grasp of his duties at Chicago. He has been in the service since 1941 and I would rate him above average.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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BY	<i>mc</i>

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December 18, 1957

PERSONAL

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

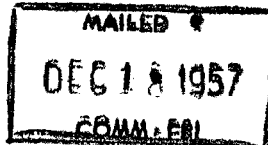
In connection with the arrest on December 3, 1957, by agents of the Chicago Division of an individual other than the subject in the Impersonation case involving [redacted] you were remiss in failing to initially furnish to the Bureau complete information concerning this matter. There was also a failure on your part to properly analyze weaknesses chargeable to personnel of the Chicago Division and to submit to the Bureau appropriate recommendations regarding action to be taken.

Hereafter, you will be required to manifest greater alertness and a higher regard for the Bureau's best interests so that there will be no other occasion to call such delinquencies to your attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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- 1 - SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention)
- 1 - SOG Chicago Field Office File

Based on memo Mr. Price to Mr. Rosen 12/11/57, OJK:rec 41

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: **JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175**

Where Assigned: **CHICAGO**

(Division)

(Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: **ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE**

Rating Period: from **4-1-57** to **3-31-58**

ADJECTIVE RATING: **EXCELLENT**
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

Rated by:

Signature

**Special Agent
in Charge**

Title

3-31-58

Date

Reviewed by:

R. D. AUERBACH

Signature

Title

Date

Rating Approved by:

Signature

Assistant Director

Title

Date

MAY 15 1958

TYPE OF REPORT

REC-11☒ Official☒ Annual☐ Administrative☐ 60-Day☐ Transfer☐ Separation from Service☐ Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175Title Assistant Special Agent in ChargeRating Period: from 4-1-57 to 3-31-58

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.

- Rate items as follows:
- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
 - E Excellent.
 - ✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
 - Unsatisfactory.
 - O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). <u>+</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. <u>+</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. <u>+</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives. <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. <u>+</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. <u>+</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties. <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application. <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. <u>+</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases <u>+</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases <u>+</u> (c) Fugitive cases <u>o</u> (d) Applicant cases <u>o</u> (e) Accounting cases <u>E</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability. <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) <u>+</u> (20) Performance as a witness. <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Leadership <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel <u>+</u> (c) Planning <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale <u>+</u> (j) Getting results <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) As leader <u>+</u> (b) As participant <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> Dictation ability _____ |
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A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.):

ASAC

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker):

Executive, Inspector's Aide, Speaker

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING:

EXCELLENT

Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS

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JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Grade GS-15
EOD 1-6-41

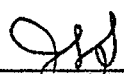
PART I - GENERAL COMMENTS

Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT presents an excellent solid personal appearance in every respect. He looks like a good Bureau executive, and has the obviously intelligent personality that goes with it. I feel that he is one of the best all-around experienced employees that I have ever seen in the Bureau. He is an attorney, an accountant, and is exceptionally well qualified to function as a Bureau executive and administrator in any field.

Mr. SCHMIT has functioned in a share-the-responsibility atmosphere with complete success in the administration of the Chicago Office. There is no question but what a considerable amount of the progress and accomplishments of the Division not only in the security but criminal field as well are due to his personal leadership.

During my tenure here, Mr. SCHMIT and I have shared not only the speaking engagements but the more important of the Chicago public contacts in a variety of fields, and there is no question in my mind but what he handles himself impressively in every respect.

Mr. SCHMIT was commended during the pertinent period by my predecessor, SAC D. S. HOSTETTER, via a Special Performance Rating on September 20, 1957. In addition, he was personally commended by the Director by letter of October 11, 1957, in connection with the investigation of an organization of utmost importance to the Bureau in the security field where the total credit for the superior direction belongs to him. His file also contains a number of commendatory comments from several executives of outstanding public industry as to his public appearances.


Agent's Initials

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable.

2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide

Mr. SCHMIT has served as an Inspector's Aide and #1 Man on numerous occasions and obviously demonstrates his ability and experience.

3. Participation in Informant Programs

Mr. SCHMIT has personally sparkplugged, developed, and completely supervised the Security Informant Program at Chicago to a point where it is undoubtedly the best all-around coverage in the security field in the entire Bureau. His administration of this program has been outstanding in every respect.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

Mr. SCHMIT is completely qualified as a witness under any circumstances.

5. Disciplinary Action

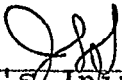
During the pertinent period, Mr. SCHMIT received a letter dated December 18, 1957, from the Bureau calling to his attention the fact that he had been remiss in failing to initially furnish to the Bureau complete information concerning a mistaken arrest by personnel of the office who individually were censured by the Bureau. He also received a criticizing letter dated July 19, 1957, from the Bureau concerning failure to submit a court decision by teletype rather than airtel.

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable.

7. Police Instruction

Not applicable.


Agent's Initials

8. Sound Training

Not applicable.

9. Resident Agents

Not applicable.

10. Foreign Language Ability

Not applicable.

11. Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement

ASAC SCHMIT is interested in administrative advancement and is fully available for any assignment.

Mr. SCHMIT is a completely all-around, well-grounded outstanding employee of the Bureau, and in my opinion at the present time is well qualified to handle the duties of Special Agent in Charge of any Bureau Field Division.

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Agent's Initials

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

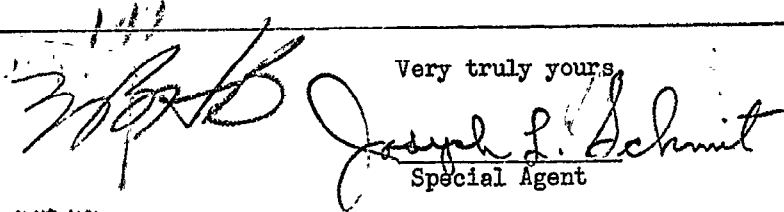
Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 2-28-58
Address 702 MULFORD, EVANSTON, ILL.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT Relationship WIFE Date 2-28-58
Address AS ABOVE

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Very truly yours,


Special Agent

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 1P

SAC AUERBACH AND ASAC SCHMITZ, CHICAGO, ARE BOTH ON SICK LEAVE
FEB. THIRTEEN INSTANT. SAC EXPECTS TO RETURN FEB. FOURTEEN
NEXT. SUPERVISOR SOL E. DENNIS IN CHARGE.

END AND ACK PLS

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Mr. Mohr

Noted in
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By

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3-5-58

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen
FROM : F. L. Price
SUBJECT: [redacted] with aliases
FUGITIVE
IMPERSONATION

DATE: Dec 11, 1957

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PURPOSE:

This memorandum is to analyze the facts in the captioned case in which the true subject was incorrectly confused during the investigation with another individual of the same name, resulting in the arrest of the wrong person, and to recommend administrative action.

BACKGROUND OF CASE:

The true subject of this case, [redacted] was known to U. S. Customs Warehouse Officer [redacted] Tampa, Florida, as a friend of [redacted] who frequently visited in the [redacted] home on weekends with [redacted] while both were assigned to the U. S. Marine Corps at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida, during the first part of 1956. Subsequently, about March, 1957, subject appeared at the [redacted] home advising that he had received a medical discharge from the Marine Corps. Subject resided with [redacted] until April 27, 1957. Shortly after his departure, [redacted] found that his U. S. Customs identification card and other papers were missing. He then learned in June, 1957, that someone using his name and identification had purchased a 1953 Jaguar which was later recovered on July 1, 1957, at Terry Town, Florida, where it had been abandoned.

[redacted] furnished a group photograph of a U. S. Marine Corps platoon in which subject [redacted] and [redacted] appeared among the 67 men in the photograph. The photograph was taken on January 11, 1956, at Parris Island, South Carolina, U. S. Marine Corps "boot camp." The subject was identified in the photograph by [redacted] and by automobile salesman [redacted] who was victimized by the subject when the latter impersonated U. S. Customs Officer [redacted].

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An authorized complaint was filed at Tampa, Florida, on August 19, 1957, charging subject with impersonation and a warrant was issued on the same date.

DEVELOPMENT OF LEAD IN MIAMI DIVISION:

Based on a lead to check the records at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, SA Dale G. Carson interviewed the personnel officer at the station. He advised that the only [redacted] stationed at that

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facility in 1956 was one [redacted] who arrived in June, 1956 from "boot camp." SA Carson incorrectly assumed that this [redacted] was identical with the subject. Information in the report in Carson's possession at that time, however, clearly indicated that the true subject was stationed at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station in the Spring of 1956 when the subject visited in the [redacted] home on weekends with [redacted]. Carson also knew that the true subject was transferred away from the Jacksonville Naval Air Station about May, 1956. In spite of this information, however, which should have made Carson question the information, furnished to him by the personnel officer at the base, he, nevertheless, prepared an insert for a report in which he referred to this wrong individual as the subject rather than as a suspect. b6 b7c

This case was assigned in the Miami Office to SA Onnie K. Walker, who had set out the lead to check the records at the Naval Air Station. Upon receipt of the information furnished by SA Carson, SA Walker copied it into the report as supplied by Carson almost verbatim and also incorrectly assumed that [redacted] was identical with the subject. He changed the title of his next report listing the subject's name as [redacted]. He set out a lead in the report for Chicago to check sources at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Illinois, for information, incorrectly stating the subject's serial number to be Marine Serial Number [redacted]. (This, of course, was the MSN of the innocent individual named [redacted])

SA Walker's report dated October 31, 1957, was approved in the Miami Division by Relief Supervisor [redacted]. This report, as noted above, set out the false conclusion that [redacted] was the subject rather than a suspect, based on the information developed at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station. Relief Supervisor [redacted] was also on notice that this identification was possibly incorrect as a result of the Bureau's letter to Miami of October 29, 1957, in which it was reported that a review of the U. S. Marine Corps records in Washington indicated that the subject might be one [redacted] an entirely different person, for whom the Bureau enclosed a recent photograph taken on July 10, 1957. This information should have caused Supervisor [redacted] to have questioned the report of SA Walker even though he had failed to question the positive identification based only on the faulty information developed at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station.

SA Walker received the Bureau's letter at Tampa, Florida, on November 1, 1957, the day after his report was dated, and secured positive identifications of the photograph enclosed by the Bureau as being the photograph of the true subject. He then dispatched an airtel to the Richmond Division to apprehend the true subject at Quantico, Virginia. SA Walker, however, did not advise other auxiliary offices of the information supplied by the Bureau or the positive identification of a photograph of a different individual as the subject, nor correct the false information in his report of October 31, 1957, that the subject's serial number was MSN [redacted].

Supervisor [redacted] of the Miami Division approved SA Walker's report of October 31, 1957, which set out the

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identification of the subject and forwarded his photograph to the Richmond Division and requested the subject's apprehension. [redacted], however, took no action to advise other auxiliary offices of this positive identification or of the false information appearing in SA Walker's report of October 31, 1957, stating that he felt the investigation in the Chicago, Houston and Cleveland Divisions should continue in view of the possibility that [redacted] (the innocent individual) might, in fact, be the subject.

Acting SAC [redacted] of the Miami Division, after analyzing the facts in this matter, concluded that it would have been more suitable to have used the word "suspect" in referring to [redacted] and said that he had strongly admonished personnel involved in this matter in the Miami Division and had placed copies of the correspondence in their personnel folders for which reason he recommended no further administrative action.

ACTION TAKEN BY CHICAGO DIVISION:

Upon receipt of SA Walker's report in Chicago, SA Harvey N. Johnson, Jr., determined that the [redacted] referred to in that report was employed at [redacted] SA Johnson, together with SA Robert L. Baker, took [redacted] into custody at the office of the Rand McNally Company on December 3, 1957.

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The individual arrested by the Chicago Agents was only 19 years of age, but the subject of this case was described in SA Walker's report as being approximately 25. Subject [redacted] Social Security Number, as set out in the information supplied to the Chicago Office, was not the same as the Social Security Number of [redacted] appearing in the files of [redacted]. It is noted moreover that the employment records of [redacted] for [redacted] showed that he had been employed there since December, 1956, although the offense for which the subject was charged did not occur in Florida until June, 1957. Finally, the report in possession of the Chicago Office set out approximately ten pages of information developed by the Miami Division that the subject had been working on a shrimp boat in Florida for about two months during the time that the records of [redacted] reflected that [redacted] was employed there. It appears that if SAs Johnson and Baker had been alert to the possible discrepancies in this matter, these discrepancies would have first been resolved before the false arrest was made.

Despite the discrepancies mentioned above, when the Bureau requested Chicago to furnish full details and explanations in this matter, Chicago teletype of December 5, 1957, stated that the person

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record of [redacted] at [redacted] contained nothing to show definitely that this individual was not identical with the subject. A recheck by the Chicago Office, of course, later indicated the discrepancies set out above. ASAC Schmit, acting in the absence of the SAC, handled this teletype in Chicago and failed to furnish full information to the Bureau. He failed to carefully consider all of the facts concerning Chicago's handling of this case and recommended no administrative action.

It should be noted, however, that following the false arrest of [redacted] by Chicago Agents, [redacted] in conversation with the Agents, advised that he had been in the hospital during part of the pertinent period. The Agents immediately checked this and verified that it was true and released [redacted] within less than three hours following his arrest and prior to his arraignment before a U. S. Commissioner. Suitable apologies were made to [redacted]. He has so far made no issue concerning his arrest and no unfavorable publicity has resulted. SA [redacted] of the Investigative Division has advised that this individual falsely arrested in Chicago is his third cousin, although SA [redacted] has not seen [redacted] in 15 years. SA [redacted] says that in a letter to his maternal aunt in Chicago, [redacted] on December 5, 1957, he advised [redacted] that [redacted] had been invited to the Chicago Office of the FBI in an effort to ascertain if he was identical with a subject we were looking for and, when he was found to be not identical, he was returned immediately to his office. SA [redacted] requested his aunt to advise him of any comments made by [redacted] regarding the matter with the thought that in this way he might preclude any exaggerated claims on the part of [redacted] or any possible future embarrassment to the Bureau.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION:

1. SA Dale G. Carson of the Miami Division incorrectly assumed that [redacted] was identical with the subject because the first and last names were similar and because the period of assignment at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station was during the same year. A letter of censure is recommended.

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Jagres
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W.C. [signature]
OK

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Dissemination to [redacted]

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2. SA Onnie K. Walker of the Miami Office to whom the case was assigned incorporated the erroneous information supplied by Carson in an investigative report and also incorrectly assumed that [redacted] was identical with the subject. He changed the title of the case on the basis of this faulty identification and did not later advise auxiliary offices of the identification of the true subject based on the information furnished by the Bureau. A letter of censure is recommended.

I agree recommend I recommend probation. He had ample time to advise auxiliary offices of the identification of the true subject based on the information furnished by the Bureau. A letter of censure is recommended.
12/12 ✓ probation avoid this times. EHC 12/13

3. Relief Supervisor [redacted] of the Miami Office approved the report for dissemination even though it set out an incorrect identification of the subject based on the information from the Jacksonville Naval Air Station and he failed to take proper action on receipt of the Bureau letter dated October 29, 1957, furnishing information on the individual later determined to be the true subject. A letter of censure is recommended.

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4. Supervisor [redacted] of the Miami Office, in approving a lead to the Richmond Office to apprehend the true subject, failed to appreciate the necessity of advising auxiliary offices of the subject's identification and of the false name and Marine Corps serial number set out in SA Walker's report. A letter of censure is recommended.

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5. Acting SAC Frohbose of the Miami Office improperly analyzed the circumstances leading to the wrongful arrest of [redacted] and recommended no administrative action by the Bureau. A letter of censure is recommended for Acting SAC Frohbose.

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I agree
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yes. H

Memorandum to Mr. Rosen

[redacted] with aliases

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6. SAs Harvey N. Johnson, Jr. and Robert L. Baker of the Chicago Division took [redacted] into custody even though discrepancies in the personnel file of [redacted] should have placed them on notice that he might not be the subject. Had they been alert to resolve such discrepancies, the false arrest would not have been made. Letters of censure are recommended.

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I also recommend probation. They were in the best position to avoid the arrest. JRM
Joseph L. Schmit 12/13 agree 12/13
7. ASAC Schmit of the Chicago Office failed to furnish full information to the Bureau initially in this matter and failed to carefully consider all of the facts concerning Chicago's handling of this case. He recommended no administrative action for Chicago personnel. A letter of censure is recommended for ASAC Schmit.

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*agree
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*2 agree
JRM
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December 30, 1957

Director
Seventh U. S. Civil Service Region
Room 1049, New Post Office Building
433 West Van Buren Street
Chicago 7, Illinois

Attention: Appeals Examiner

Dear Sir:

Attached are five affidavits containing evidence for your consideration in the appeal of [redacted] from his recent dismissal as a Special Agent of the FBI in Chicago.

The affidavits include four from employees of the Chicago Office; namely, Special Agent in Charge Richard D. Auerbach, Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit, Special Agent Carl N. Freyman and Special Agent [redacted]. These affidavits pertain to the incident in which [redacted] became involved which led to his dismissal.

You will note from them that this matter arose on the evening of September 26, 1957, when a routine periodic check of our Chicago Office space by Assistant Special Agent in Charge Schmit disclosed notations on [redacted] desk calendar concerning "JC." Mr. Schmit concluded that [redacted] was maintaining records of the arrivals and departures of Special Agent [redacted]. So important did Mr. Schmit consider the matter that he brought it to the attention of Special Agent in Charge Auerbach the very next morning. Mr. Auerbach interviewed [redacted] that same day, recognizing that the closeness with which Special Agents must often work together permits no such violation of the necessary relationship of mutual trust and confidence which such private record keeping would imply.

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The interview September 27, 1957, with [redacted] is described in Mr. Auerbach's affidavit and is mentioned also in the affidavits of Messrs. Schmit and Freyman who were present. [redacted] said he was "forced to keep book" to prove a point to his supervisors, Special Agents Auerbach, Schmit, and Freyman. He refused to explain what the point was that he wanted to make.

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1 - SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention) (Enclosures 5)

1 - [redacted]

WEC:mfc:pmf (5) Based on memo Edwards to Mohr 12/10/57

MAIL ROOM ☐

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Seventh U. S. Civil Service Region

felt he had to make a point with his supervisor, [] said that Special Agent Freyman was biased against him but [] was unable to adequately justify this opinion. Asked to state what a certain word was that had been crossed out in one of the calendar notations [] declined to do so. He admitted preparing the calendar notations but shortly afterward denied so stating. Though given abundant opportunity to explain the entire situation, he refused to cooperate.

Our Washington headquarters was informed by Mr. Auerbach and on October 1, 1957, instructed him to secure [] written explanation of the matter. In a signed statement [] replied on October 1, 1957, that the information to the effect that he had been keeping records was simply Mr. Schmit's opinion and there was nothing to substantiate such opinion; that this was all he had to say.

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Mr. Auerbach told [] his written explanation was not responsive and that there was substantiation in the physical existence of the written notations and their close similarity with official records of Special Agent [] arrivals and departures. At this, [] merely shook his head and stated that the written explanation prepared by him reflected all he had to say. However, he did assert that Mr. Auerbach's memorandum of September 27, 1957, reporting the interview of that date was not accurate despite the fact that he had been present when it was dictated, had reviewed it then, and had said it was accurate as to the conversation. [] alleged two inaccuracies: (1) He did not say he was forced to keep book or kept book as a matter of necessity; instead what he said was that he was forced to keep records as a matter of necessity; (2) He did not say he prepared the written notations and then a moment later deny it; he claimed such statement was inaccurate and that he, [] was confused.

At that time, October 1, 1957, Mr. Auerbach gave [] further opportunity to explain or to admit he prepared the written notations but [] would not do so. His obstinacy in the matter forced the Bureau to go to the length of conducting a handwriting examination of the written notations in its Laboratory at Washington, D. C. The conclusion was that [] wrote the notations. This is the subject matter of the attached affidavit of Special Agent Ramos C. Feehan, the handwriting expert who made the examination.

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By letter to [] October 10, 1957, delivered to him at 3:40 p.m. October 11, 1957, the Bureau advised him his dismissal was contemplated for reasons set out in detail but herein abbreviated as follows: A. Unsuitability for the Special Agent position as evidenced by his insubordinate and evasive conduct during the calendar notation inquiry; B. His inconsistent statements and unreasonable attitude; C. His inadequate statement of October 1, 1957, showing obstinate and insubordinate attitude; D. His reckless allegations of bias on the part of Special Agent Freyman. [] was advised of his right to answer and that he was suspended without pay for thirty days; this suspension began at the close of business October 11, 1957.

Your office later questioned our procedure in suspending him without at least 24 hours' advance written notice with a statement of reasons and opportunity to reply, and in suspending him at all. My memorandum to the Seventh Regional Office dated November 29, 1957, explained this Bureau's action and stressed the fact that [] had lost his usefulness as a Special Agent, having by his insubordinate refusal to explain his conduct forfeited our trust and confidence.

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On October 14, 1957, [] submitted an answer to the proposed dismissal. He denied having said he was forced to keep book or kept book as a matter of necessity. He denied having ever acknowledged the accuracy of Mr. Auerbach's memorandum reporting the interview of September 27, 1957, and said Mr. Auerbach did not delete misquotes from the memorandum. He recounted certain difficulties he had had with Special Agent Freyman and said Mr. Freyman once stated a personality clash probably existed between them. He cited an improvement in the amount of overtime he had worked (a matter discussed during the interview September 27, 1957). He characterized the charges against him as unfair and unjust.

Mr. Auerbach told [] after reviewing [] answer that he did not feel it was complete. [] said that he had nothing further to say.

Mr. Auerbach, in his affidavit, controverts [] denial regarding the 'forced to keep book' comment. Mr. Auerbach terms as a falsehood the denial of [] that the latter ever acknowledged the accuracy of the memorandum of September 27, 1957. Mr. Auerbach explains he made

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certain changes in the memorandum at the time as requested by [] but did not delete the misquotes because [] did not claim to have been misquoted when he originally reviewed the memorandum after its preparation September 27, 1957.

Mr. Schmit and Mr. Freyman, in their affidavits, concur with Mr. Auerbach's version of the interview of September 27, 1957. Mr. Freyman, in addition, denies any bias; points out he has never before been accused of bias by anyone other than [] mentions he reminded [] the latter could secure a transfer to a different supervisor if he thought Mr. Freyman was biased; and denies stating there was a personality clash involving []

It may be noted that [] still has not clearly acknowledged that he was the author of the notations appearing on the calendar and he persistently declined to give a reasonable explanation for the notations even though he was given every opportunity and encouragement to do so. Our discovery of the calendar notations was a matter of deep concern and it was [] responsibility as a Special Agent of the FBI to furnish a complete explanation for his action. His failure to do so, particularly after he had been advised that his explanation was desired by Bureau headquarters, amounts to insubordination. An insubordinate Special Agent is valueless; moreover, he is a serious risk and handicap to this Bureau's efficient discharge of its grave responsibilities, not only because of the wide latitude and considerable degree of independence of action inherent in a Special Agent's duties, but equally because of his ready access to confidential information.

Should your office desire any additional information to assist in a determination of this case, I shall be pleased to supply same on request.

Very truly yours,

John P. Mohr
Assistant Director

Enclosures (5)

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME (Type or print) SCHMIT, JOSEPH LUKE			2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION ASAC GS-15		3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State) 702 Mulford Ave., Evanston, Illinois			5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION General physical		6. DATE OF EXAMINATION 5/21/58
7. SEX Male	8. RACE White	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY CIVILIAN 16	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE F.B.I. - Justice		11. ORGANIZATION UNIT F.B.I.
12. DATE OF BIRTH 4/29/16		13. PLACE OF BIRTH Castlewood, So. Dak.		14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT, wife, same address	
15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS <i>VA Hosp., St. Luke, Chicago, Ill.</i>			16. OTHER INFORMATION		

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY			TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL		LAST SIX MONTHS
CLINICAL EVALUATION			NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)		
NORMAL	ABNOR- MAL	(Check each item in appropriate column: enter "N. E." if not evaluated)	#46 Chest: Chest film in comparative studies with the previous film taken on May 21, 1957 show essentially unchanged appearance of the lung fields for the last year. This stability of the lung appearance excludes the notion of a possible active lung infection. L. Kabaker, M.D. per: RUS. 2/2		
☒		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP			
☒		19. NOSE			
☒		20. SINUSES			
☒		21. MOUTH AND THROAT			
☒		22. EARS—GENERAL (Int. & ext. canals) (Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71)			
☒		23. DRUMS (Perforation)			
☒		24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60, and 61)			
☒		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC			
☒		26. PUPILS (Equality and reaction)			
☒		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)			
☒		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (Include breasts)			
☒		29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)			
☒		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)			
☒		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (Include hernia)			
☒		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate if indicated)			
☒		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM			
☒		34. G-U SYSTEM			
☒		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion)			
☒		36. FEET			
☒		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion)			
☒		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL			
☒		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS			
☒		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS			
☒		41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)			
☒		42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)			
Females only		(Check how done)	(Continue in item 73)		
☐		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL			

44. DENTAL (Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively)																REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES		
O.—Restorable teeth X.—Missing teeth (6 X 8).—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments I.—Nonrestorable teeth XXX.—Replaced by dentures																		
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LABORATORY FINDINGS			
45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.020		46. CHEST X-RAY (Place, date, film number, result) 5/21/58	47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result)
ALBUMIN neg.	SUGAR neg.	#181958—See Notes above	CardioLipin—negative
48. EKG Normal	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR "A" Positive		
50. OTHER TESTS			

Schmitt, Joseph Luke

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88
(Revised December 5, 1955)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67
3	68
11	69
14	71 (Item 71, audiometer examinations, should be afforded whenever possible.)
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65	72

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X-ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is qualified for strenuous physical exertion.
(is or is not)
(Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms? Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70
PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED
IN DETAIL.

Nathaniel Van Dusen
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

5-21-58

(Date)

SAC, Chicago

6/30/58

Director, FBI

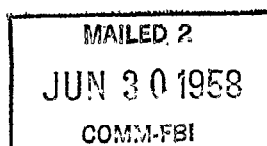
PERSONAL ATTENTION

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
 ASAC
 PHYSICAL CONDITION

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- () Reurlet _____.
- (X) Re Physical Examination 5/21/58.
- () Advise Bureau of present weight without clothing.
- () Advise Bureau if dental work has been completed.
- (X) Advise Bureau if vision has been corrected to 20/20.
- () Advise Bureau re physical condition.
- () Advise Bureau condition of _____.
- () Submit results of chest X ray immediately.
- () Submit statement from doctor advising if Agent is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- () Submit Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms.

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REPLY: ATTENTION PERSONNEL SECTION

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

212 West Monroe Street
Chicago 6, Illinois

May 7, 1958

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. Clayton	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

[Handwritten signature]

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, NW
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Boss:

Just a short note from Joe Schmit and myself
to say congratulations on your anniversary, and to
wish you well for many more.

Attached is a clipping from the "Chicago Sun-
Times" for May 2, as a matter of interest. It
sounds like Bishop Sheil is patterning his ideas
from your policies for the Bureau.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature: R. D. Auerbach]

R. D. AUERBACH
Special Agent in Charge

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Conformity Is Danger To U.S., Sheil Cautions

More than 1,000 civic and religious leaders inaugurated the second century of the Paulist Fathers in Chicago Thursday night.

The gathering, in the Grand Ballroom of the Conrad Hilton Hotel, heard Bishop Bernard J. Sheil, celebrating an anniversary of his own, condemn mediocrity in modern-day democracy.

Bishop Sheil, Roman Catholic auxiliary bishop of Chicago, was marking the 30th anniversary of his consecration as a bishop.

The Paulist Fathers, founded in 1858 in New York, came to Chicago in 1903. In October, the congregation took charge of Old St. Mary's parish, established in 1833, the oldest in Chicago.

Old St. Mary's Church is located at 911 S. Wabash while a chapel and information center is maintained at 21 E. Van Buren.

Bishop Sheil commended the Paulist Fathers "for the influence for good upon our city" and for not permitting their concepts to be tinged with mediocrity.

Mediocrity, he said, is supreme in modern times. He defined the term as a lack of values and termed it a formidable danger.

Persons addicted to mediocrity, he said, "find strength only in the spurious security of conformity." They regard conflict and change "as threats which must be escaped."

The effects of mediocrity are felt on American relations abroad, he observed. "Democracy," he said, "is rapidly becoming a kind of negative reaction to the more positive action of totalitarianism." The net effect, he concluded, is this:

"There are abroad in America today far too many self-appointed guardians of democracy who equate it with their own narrow interpretation of its meaning."

"These defenders of the democratic faith are obsessed with a rage for unity, which means conformity to their arbitrary concepts. This conformity or rather uniformity, they mistake for strength and security."

What they are challenging, he asserted, is the very essence of democracy.

"CHICAGO SUN-TIMES"
May 2, 1958

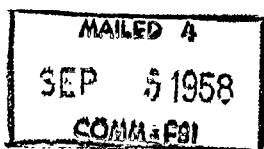
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Dear _____

Your headquarters are changed from _____ to _____ effective upon your arrival there on or after this date. This change is made for official reasons and you will be allowed transportation expenses and per diem at the rate of \$12.00 per day within the U. S., \$6.00 per day for air travel, rail travel, and ocean travel by steamship outside the continental limits of the U.S., transportation expenses for your immediate family, and transportation cost of household goods and personal effects as provided for in Public Law 600 dated August 2, 1946, and Executive Order 9805, dated November 25, 1946, as amended. You are authorized to use your privately owned automobile and you will be reimbursed at the rate of ten cents per mile plus incidental expenses, not to exceed the cost by common carrier over the most direct route for all persons officially traveling therein. Should your dependents travel separate and apart from you, expenses will be allowed under the same conditions as above.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director



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1 - SAC, New York

1 - SAC, Chicago

Departure date and arrival date. Instruct Mr. Schmitt to report to the Dept of Government for conference en route to his new office of assignment.

1 - Mr. Nease

1 - Mr. Tamm

1 - Mr. Clayton

1 - Miss _____

1 - Mrs. _____

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: September 4, 1958

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: PERSONNEL CHANGES

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 W.C. Sullivan _____
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 Gandy _____

I have recommended by separate memorandum that ASAC William G. Simon be transferred to Newark as SAC. It will be necessary to replace ASAC Simon in New York. He is in charge of espionage matters. It is therefore recommended:

(1) That ASAC Joseph L. Schmit be transferred to New York as ASAC in charge of espionage matters and in view of his previous excellent record and particularly his work in the supervision of the recent jewel theft case involving the theft of diamonds from Harry Winston, Inc., it is recommended he be reallocated to grade GS-16, \$14,190 per annum.

Mr. Schmit entered on duty 1/6/41, is in GS-15, \$13,070 per annum, 42 years of age, born in Casthewood, South Dakota, married with one child, and has a Bachelor of Laws Degree. His last physical in May, 1958, reflected his height as 5 feet 7 inches and weight 170 pounds. For a man of medium frame the desirable weight is 140 to 151 pounds and maximum is 165. Schmit served as ASAC at Denver from 1953 to 1955 when he assumed his present duties as ASAC at Chicago. The Director has seen him on several occasions, commenting in May, 1956, that he made a good personal appearance, was substantial in manner, and the Director rated him above average and in line for additional responsibilities. In October, 1956, the Director stated he made a generally satisfactory appearance and in November, 1957, the Director stated he was very businesslike in manner, made a good impression, seemed to have a full grasp of his duties at Chicago and he would rate him above average. In May, 1957, the Inspector stated he was intelligent, capable, and although somewhat small in stature, his personality, poise and sincerity compensated for that in some measure. His last censure was in December, 1957, and he has been commended on a number of occasions. He was advised by letter dated 8/29/58 of an incentive award for \$150 for his outstanding supervision of a jewel theft case involving the theft of nearly one-half million dollars worth of diamonds from Harry Winston, Inc., in Chicago on 8/21/58.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF ASAC SCHMIT'S FILE IS ATTACHED.

Enclosure
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 2, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

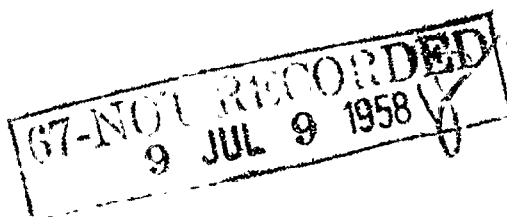
ATTENTION: PERSONNEL SECTION

TRASH
SUBJECT: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
PHYSICAL CONDITION

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- ☒ Rebulet 6/30/58.
- ☐ Re physical examination _____.
- ☐ Weight without clothing now is _____.
- ☐ Dental work was completed on _____.
- ☒ Vision has been corrected to 20/20.
- ☐ Chest X-ray results were negative.
- ☐ Personal physician advised he is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- ☐ Attached are Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms _____.
- ☐ Physical examination reports are enclosed.
- ☐ Employee is scheduled for physical examination on _____.
- ☐ Employee has reviewed and initialed his physical examination report.
- ☐ Employee returned to active duty _____.
- ☐ Employee's physical condition is _____.

☐ Additional remarks relative to items listed above:

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September 5, 1958

Mr. Joseph L. Schmitt
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

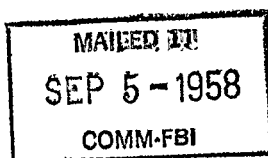
Dear Mr. Schmitt:

I am indeed pleased to advise that you are being promoted to the position of Assistant Special Agent in Charge, \$14,190 per annum in Grade GS 16, effective September 7, 1958.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



1 - SAC, Chicago (PERSONAL ATTENTION)

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Based on memo Mr. Mohr to Mr. Tolson dated 9-4-58 JPM:DW

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MAIL ROOM ☐

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SEP 5 1958
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: September 9, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

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SUBJECT: TRANSFERS
WILLIAM G. SIMON
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, NEW YORK CITY
BERNARD C. BROWN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

For record purposes, both Mr. Simon and Mr. Brown of the New York City and Newark Offices, respectively, telephoned [] this morning. Brown first advised he had received an inquiry from the "Newark News" regarding Brown's becoming ASAC in the New York City Office. Brown confirmed this and stated Mr. Simon would replace him as SAC. [] told Brown to immediately advise Simon so that in turn Simon could begin answering inquiries to this effect in the New York area. Simon then called [] advising that he would similarly answer inquiries and give out background data and photographs of both him and Mr. Brown. The press is being told the transfers are of a routine administrative nature.

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Yesterday the transfer of ASAC Joseph L. Schmit of the Chicago Office to the New York City Office became known in New York City and inquiries from the press there were answered to the effect that he would become ASAC in New York City. Background data was given out.

To date there were no inquiries concerning ASAC John E. Edwards of the New York City Office. [] told Simon to await them and not make any formal announcement.

ACTION:

For record purposes.

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- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Jones

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August 29, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

You have done remarkably superior work in the supervision of the investigation of the robbery of Harry Winston, Incorporated, and in recognition thereof I have approved an incentive award for you. There is enclosed a check in the amount of \$123.00, which represents an award of \$150.00 less withholding tax.

I am aware of the difficult and involved nature of this fast-moving investigation and that, as a result of your extremely prompt and aggressive action in getting the investigation under way, very successful results have been realized to date, particularly the recovery of a large portion of the loot. You have demonstrated outstanding supervisory ability and competence and it is certainly a pleasure for me to commend you in this way.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosure

1 - SAC, Chicago (Personal Attention) Enclosure

This award should be presented by you and in the event it is not possible for you to personally present it, or should the presentation be unreasonably delayed by your absence, the official acting for you should present it.

1 - Mr. Hereford (Sent Direct)

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September 12, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Schmit:

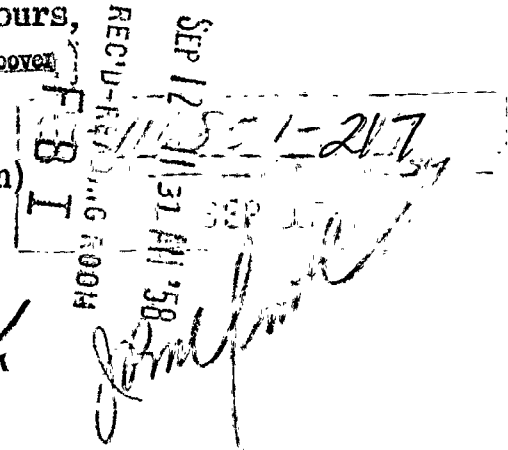
I am taking this means to express my sincere appreciation for your very capable supervision of an operation of great importance to the Bureau in the security field.

The highly successful results realized can be ascribed in no small degree to the close and careful direction and guidance you afforded the many phases of this difficult and delicate undertaking. Please accept my sincere thanks for your excellent services.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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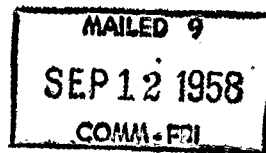
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ASAC Schmit ordered under transfer to New York. No "to-go" date.

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W. C. Sullivan

212 West Monroe Street
Chicago 6, Illinois
September 8, 1958

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. W.C. Sullivan	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

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PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Having just returned to the office in Chicago today after my short trip to Baltimore and Washington, D. C., I am writing you immediately on behalf of my son, Joe, as well as myself, to express my deep appreciation for your taking the time out of your busy schedule to meet my boy. He was tremendously impressed with his visit with you and I am certain it will always remain as one of the highlights of his whole life. He has in the past week commented numerous times how much he enjoyed the tour of the Bureau's headquarters culminated by your gracious visit with him.

I also received your letter of September 5, 1958, advising me of my promotion to grade GS-16, and want to express my sincere thanks to you for this recognition. You may be assured that I shall continue to do everything possible to demonstrate that your confidence thus expressed is not misplaced.

The next envelope I opened was your letter to me of August 29, 1958, advising that you had approved an incentive award in connection with my supervision of the Harry Winston case. Again, I am deeply grateful.

My transfer orders to the New York Office dated September 5th, have also been received and I am looking forward to this assignment as a real challenge. Having already secured living quarters for my family in New York City, I am hopeful of winding up my personal and business affairs in Chicago within the next week and shall look forward to receiving your instructions at the Bureau prior to reporting to Mr. Foster in the New York Office.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Schmit 3
JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

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DIRECTOR, FBI

September 8, 1958

SAC, CHICAGO

ATTENTION:

SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
Former Special Agent
Chicago Division

Rebulet August 26, 1958, and mylet September 3,
1958.

ASAC J. L. SCHMIT returned from leave this date
and I am attaching hereto two copies of a memorandum sub-
mitted by him which is self-explanatory.

My observations as to this matter have been com-
plotely set forth in my letter to the Director dated Septem-
ber 3, 1958, and no further action will be taken, UACB.

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September 8, 1958

ASAC J. L. SCHMIT

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[redacted]
Former Special Agent
Chicago Division

In accordance with your request, the following is submitted in response to Bureau letter dated August 26, 1958, which enclosed a letter from captioned former Special Agent to the Director which was dated August 18, 1958.

I have carefully analyzed all of the charges made against Field Supervisor CARL N. FREYMAN by [redacted] in his letter dated August 18, 1958. I have further noted that after listing certain charges, [redacted] states he attempted to bring these to the attention of ASAC SCHMIT but that I informed him that his accusations were ridiculous. This statement by [redacted] is completely false.

I have no idea what [redacted] is talking about when he says he attempted to bring these allegations to my attention. It is patently obvious that if he had made these allegations against Supervisor FREYMAN to me either orally or in writing, I would have been required to take very definite and positive action to check them out. They would have required an immediate inquiry with full advice to the Bureau.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

*noted
J. J. [unclear] 1958*

Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175

Where Assigned: CHICAGO

(Division)

(Section, Unit)

ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Official Position Title: _____

Rating Period: from April 1, 1958 to September 17, 1958

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT

Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

J. J.

Rated by: R. D. AUERBACH Special Agent in Charge 9-17-58

Signature

Title

Date

Reviewed by: [Signature] Assistant Director SEP 23 1958

Signature

Title
Assistant Director

Date
SEP 23 1958

Rating Approved by: [Signature] _____

Signature

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TYPE OF REPORT

- () Official
() Annual

- (X) Administrative
() 60-Day
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() Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175Title Assistant Special Agent in ChargeRating Period: from 4-1-58 to 9-17-58

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

- Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:
- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
 - E Excellent.
 - ✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
 - Unsatisfactory.
 - O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). <u>+</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. <u>+</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. <u>+</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives. <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. <u>+</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. <u>+</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties. <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application. <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. <u>+</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases <u>+</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases <u>+</u> (c) Fugitive cases <u>+</u> (d) Applicant cases <u>+</u> (e) Accounting cases <u>E</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (17) Firearms ability. <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) <u>+</u> (20) Performance as a witness. <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Leadership <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel <u>+</u> (c) Planning <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale <u>+</u> (j) Getting results <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) As leader <u>+</u> (b) As participant <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> Dictation ability _____ |
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A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): ASAC

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Executive, Inspector's Aide, Speaker

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

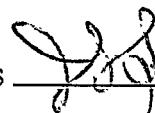
E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT

Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS



JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Grade GS-16
EOD 1-6-41

PART I - GENERAL COMMENTS

This performance rating is occasioned by the transfer of Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT to New York as Assistant Agent in Charge from Chicago.

Mr. SCHMIT has functioned as ASAC and co-administrator of the Chicago Office for the past three and one-half years. He handles himself impressively as an excellent Bureau executive in every respect. I feel that he is one of the best career employees that I have ever seen. Since his last performance rating, Mr. SCHMIT has been commended by the Director several times, has received an incentive award, and a reallocation in pay status, due to the outstanding accomplishments that he has made.

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable.

2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide

Mr. SCHMIT has served as an Inspector's Aide and #1 Man on numerous occasions in a completely satisfactory manner.

3. Participation in Informant Programs

Mr. SCHMIT has been personally responsible for a very considerable portion of the development and supervision of the Chicago Informant Program, to a point where it has been considered outstanding on a number of occasions.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

Mr. SCHMIT is completely qualified as a witness under any circumstances.

5. Disciplinary Action

Not applicable.


Agent's Initials

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable.

7. Police Instruction

Not applicable.

8. Sound Training

Not applicable.

9. Resident Agents

Not applicable.

10. Foreign Language Ability

Not applicable.

11. Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement

ASAC SCHMIT, as a career employee, is completely interested in administrative advancement, is fully available for any assignment, and in my opinion at the present time is completely qualified to handle the duties of Special Agent in Charge of any Bureau Field Division.


Agent's Initials

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 9/4/58

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: ASAC ASSIGNMENTS
NEW YORK OFFICE

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On September 2, 1958, I saw SAC Harvey G. Foster of the New York Office after he had spoken to the Director and to you. Mr. Foster stated that he had been instructed to discuss with me the various matters he had taken up with the Director and one of the items had to do with the assignments of the ASACs in the New York Office. Mr. Foster also stated that he had been instructed by the Director and you to submit his recommendations to the Bureau in writing.

Mr. Foster stated it was his feeling that the ASAC of the New York Office who is to act as the #1 Man should be in charge of the Administrative Division which now has responsibility for applicant investigations of all types in addition to the supervision of all of the clerical personnel in the New York Office and the administrative operations of that office. Mr. Foster stated it was his opinion that if the #1 Man was in charge of the Administrative Division, the #1 Man would have control over all of the personnel assigned to the New York Office as well as the administrative operations and would have a minimum of responsibility for the investigative operations. He said under such a setup the New York Office would be strengthened and would permit the #1 Man a greater degree of control than is now possible by having the #1 Man in charge of one of the investigative divisions. In addition to the Administrative Division in the New York Office, there are three investigative divisions, one being in charge of the espionage cases, another internal security cases and another criminal investigative cases.

Mr. Foster stated that he realized that some changes should be made in the New York Office; however, he felt that it would be undesirable to replace three of the ASACs at this time. It was his feeling that ASAC Norman H. McCabe should be retained in the New York Office and should be considered for the position of #1 Man. Mr. Foster said he felt this way because he had a great deal of respect for Mr. McCabe's ability and Mr. McCabe had on his own volition taken definite, positive steps to reduce the number of Agents in his division and because he felt Mr. McCabe was generally fully familiar with the problems existing in the New York Division. Mr. Foster said his feelings with respect to

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McCabe being the #1 Man in the New York Office were not so strong that he would not be in favor of the Bureau bringing someone else in for this spot and it was merely a suggestion on his part.

I pointed out to Mr. Foster my feelings that it would not be desirable to promote Mr. McCabe to #1 Man of the New York Office when the New York Office was found in such poor shape during the recent inspection. Mr. Foster said he realized this was a circumstance which had to be considered.

✓ Concerning ASAC Simon, Mr. Foster said he felt Mr. Simon was brilliant and could unquestionably function as SAC in a large office of the Bureau. He said he felt, however, that Mr. Simon had been in the New York Office for a considerable period of time and that it would be to the advantage of Mr. Simon and the Bureau for him to be transferred to some other spot.

Concerning ASAC John E. Edwards, who is ASAC of the Administrative Division, Mr. Foster stated he regarded Mr. Edwards as being very capable but he realized that Mr. Edwards did not have sufficient previous field experience to warrant assigning him as one of the ASACs of the investigative divisions. It was his feeling that Mr. Edwards could handle the duties of SAC of a Bureau office.

Mr. Foster stated he would submit his views in a communication to the Bureau with his suggestions as set forth above but he did feel that the Bureau might be able to select someone for the position of #1 Man of the office who could handle the situation just as well if not better than ASAC Norman H. McCabe.

In a separate memorandum I am recommending that ASAC William G. Simon be transferred to the Newark Office as SAC with no change in grade or salary.

OK. H

SAC B. C. Brown of the Newark Office is being recommended for transfer to the New York Office to occupy the position of #1 Man and handle the duties now in the Administrative Division of the New York Office in accordance with the views of SAC Foster. I feel that SAC Foster's comments that the #1 Man should be in charge of the Administrative Division in the New York Office are very sound.

OK. H

It is being recommended that ASAC John E. Edwards be transferred to Buffalo as SAC with no change in grade or salary. I feel confident Mr. Edwards could handle the duties of SAC in an office the size of Buffalo.

OK. Y

It is being recommended that ASAC Joseph L. Schmit of the Chicago Office be transferred to the New York Office as ASAC of the division handling espionage cases. In connection with Mr. Schmit's transfer, it is being recommended that he be reallocated to Grade GS 16 in view of the outstanding manner in which he handled the recent jewel theft case in the Chicago Division as well as his fine work as ASAC in Chicago and previously in Denver. *OK*

Unless you instruct to the contrary, Messrs. Simon, Brown, Edwards and Schmit will be instructed to report to the Seat of Government en route to their new offices of assignment.

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Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Schmit:

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter of
September 8, 1958.

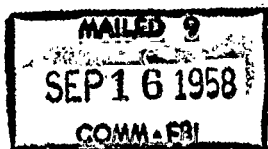
I am very happy that your son, Joe, enjoyed his
visit to the Bureau, and I assure you it was a real pleasure
to meet him.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Schmit is scheduled to report to SOG 9-22-58 for conferences
and report thereafter to New York as ASAC. He is leaving Chicago
9-15-58, and is on a week's annual leave.



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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 8-23-58

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HLE*

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
 Assistant Special Agent in Charge
 Chicago Office
 EOD 1-6-41; GS-15, \$13,070
 Non-Veteran; Not in Reserve
 Not on Probation

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W. C. Sullivan

The following is a brief and concise summary of ASAC Schmit's record for the Director's use.

ASAC Schmit entered on duty 1-6-41, served in the Dallas, New York and Oklahoma City Offices; as Resident Agent at Tulsa, Oklahoma; served at the Seat of Government, Domestic Intelligence Division, from 7-18-47 until his transfer 4-13-53 as ASAC to the Denver Office, and was transferred to his present position as ASAC in the Chicago Office on 1-10-55. ASAC Schmit has a Bachelor of Laws Degree; he is married, has one child, and he was promoted to Grade GS-15 on 5-6-56.

During the past year 1 letter of Censure has been directed to ASAC Schmit, and he has not received any letters of Commendation during this period of time. During the May, 1957 inspection of the Chicago Office, Inspector J. E. Edwards said he was an intelligent and capable ASAC. Because of his small stature he did not make an overly impressive appearance but his personality, poise and obvious sincerity compensated for this in some measure. Although well versed in all Bureau operations, he was especially well qualified to direct security investigations and would be a definite asset to any of the larger offices where security matters constitute a major phase of its operations. The various functions of the office were rated as follows:

PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE	GOOD
INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS	VERY GOOD
ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS	GOOD
PERSONNEL MATTERS	VERY GOOD
CONTACTS	VERY GOOD

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 The Director last saw him on 11-14-57, said he was very businesslike in manner, made a good impression, seemed to have a full grasp of his duties at Chicago, and the Director rated him above average

SAC Auerbach rated him EXCELLENT on his 1958 Annual Performance Report and said he was one of the best all-around experienced employees in the Bureau. He was exceptionally well qualified to function as a

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Bureau executive and administrator in any field. He had functioned in a share-the-responsibility atmosphere with complete success in the administration of the office. A considerable amount of the progress and accomplishments in the security and criminal fields were due to his personal leadership. He had personally sparkplugged, developed and completely supervised the Security Informant Program to a point where it was the best all-around coverage in the security field in the entire Bureau. His administration of this program had been outstanding in every respect. He was completely qualified as a witness under any circumstances. He was interested in administrative advancement, he was fully available for any assignment, and he was well qualified to handle the duties of SAC of any Bureau Field Division.

His daily average overtime for the past six months is as follows: February, 2 hours 19 minutes; March, 2 hours 25 minutes; April, 2 hours 03 minutes; May, 2 hours 36 minutes; June, 2 hours 05 minutes; and July, 2 hours 10 minutes.

His Offices of Preference as of January, 1958, were Bureau Headquarters, San Francisco, and Dallas.

ASAC Schmit supervised the investigation in an important major jewel theft case which occurred in Chicago on 8-21-58 and which is still under investigation by the Chicago Office. This case involved the theft of diamonds valued at between \$250,000 and \$500,000 from Harry Winston, Inc., in Chicago on 8-21-58. Intensive investigation by the Chicago Office, under the supervision of ASAC Schmit, resulted in the apprehension late on 8-21-58 of [redacted] a Chicago top jewel thief, who was found in possession of a diamond ring valued at \$1500 which has been identified by the manager of the jewelry company as one removed from his finger by the bandits during the robbery. [redacted] although not one of the robbers, was in possession of the stolen ring. Further intensive investigation by Chicago Agents located a safety deposit box at the Commercial National Bank, Berwyn, Illinois, which had been rented by [redacted] on the afternoon of the robbery. This safety deposit box is believed to contain some or all of the loot taken in the robbery. A State Search Warrant has been obtained to enter this safety deposit box and is to be served by local authorities on bank officials at 12:00 noon (Chicago time) today, 8-23-58.

The Chicago Office, following the pickup of [redacted] and recognizing no Federal violation, put out a press release to all papers claiming credit for apprehending [redacted] and turning him over to local authorities, which was done. Favorable publicity to the Bureau appeared in the Chicago press. The Director has instructed that ASAC Schmit be commended for his supervision of this case and this is being handled.

According to ASAC Schmit's last physical examination dated 5-21-58, he is 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighs 170 pounds. Assuming he has a large frame, he would be 9 pounds over the desirable maximum weight (161) for a man of his height but 6 pounds under the top maximum (176).

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 8/25/58

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HLE*SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
 ROBBERY OF HARRY WINSTON, INC. - VICTIM
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
 AUGUST 21, 1958

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By teletype, 8/22/58, SAC, Chicago, recommended cash awards of \$150.00 for SAs Marlin H. Moore, William A. Meincke, Joseph G. Shea, and for their outstanding work in connection with captioned matter. SAC noted that many other personnel handled assignments in excellent fashion, particularly SA who handled the informant, and that further recommendations as warranted would be made at later date.

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Mr. Rosen concurred in recommendations of SAC and recommended commendation for SA and an incentive award for ASAC Joseph L. Schmit who has supervised this matter.

BACKGROUND OF CASE

At about 10:40 a. m., 8/21/58, the Chicago Office of the Harry Winston Jewelry representatives was robbed of an estimated one-half million dollars worth of unmounted loose diamonds. (Inventory of stolen stones not yet completed by Harry Winston, Inc.) Lone bandit entered Winston Company, struck the manager with pistol, handcuffed him and blindfolded him with tape, thereafter, with an accomplice, made off with the loot. Chicago taking aggressive action and dispatched agents to cover transportation facilities, major hotels, jewelry stores, and other localities to put heat on this robbery, and openly contacted jewel fences and made efforts to locate and interview known top jewel thieves. As a result, on afternoon of 8/21/58 a known jewel thief, was stopped for questioning and found to be in possession of a \$1500.00 diamond ring which has been identified as the ring taken from the hand of the manager of Harry Winston, Inc. safety deposit box located in fictitious name in suburban bank and found to contain approximately 2/3 of the loot valued at between \$300,000.00 and \$400,000.00. FBI receiving excellent publicity. No Federal violation known to date. turned over to local authorities and is presently free on bond. Investigation continuing.

ASAC Schmit has direct supervision of investigation and according to Investigative Division has done a superb job. He took prompt and aggressive action and had investigation under way within 15 minutes of the robbery. His able supervision has been largely responsible for the highly successful results attained to date in this most difficult and involved investigation. Relief Supervisor Marlin H. Moore, supervising

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the criminal squad handling this case in the absence of the regular Supervisor, has been assisting ASAC Schmit and has coordinated all activities in the disbursal of agents and has continuously directed detailed operations of the squad. SAC states he has utilized outstanding ingenuity and aggressiveness in discharging his responsibilities, and he shares credit with ASAC Schmit for the splendid supervision of this investigation.

SAs Meincke and Shea, on the afternoon of 8/21/58, spotted [redacted] entering a hotel with a suitcase. They took immediate action in interviewing him and through diplomatic handling obtained permission to search his suitcase in which they found a round outside cylinder cover for a roll of Johnsons adhesive tape. Noting that the manager of Harry Winston, Inc. had been gagged and taped with tape of this make, and two empty spools of adhesive tape of this size had been recovered at crime scene, they induced [redacted] who is a known top jewel thief to voluntarily accompany them to the Chicago Office where they, with the assistance of SA [redacted] strip searched and interviewed him, locating on his person the ring which had been taken from the manager of the Winston Company. SAC states that SA [redacted] participated in entire interview and search of [redacted] and obtained a false alibi potentially very damaging in future trial. States that [redacted] because of previous knowledge of subject's activities and interviews with him, adroitly handled this interview. b6 b7C

Informant in this case, [redacted] Bureau authorized payment of \$10,000.00 on [redacted] cod. basis to this informant for information leading to the apprehension of the thieves and recovery of the loot. Informant advised that possibly a deposit locker might be involved. Consequently, instructions issued to investigating agents to contact all banks and institutions maintaining safety deposit boxes in Chicago area. SA [redacted] in handling a number of assignments made contact at a suburban bank where he learned that [redacted] using a fictitious name, had obtained safety deposit box between 3 and 3:30 p. m. on date of robbery. [redacted] was most alert in locating this box and handled interviews with bank employees in most painstaking and thorough manner, thereby definitely establishing box had been obtained by [redacted] On 8/23/58, with search warrant, contents of this box examined and as noted above approximately 2/3 of the loot recovered. b6 b7C

The informant who is being handled by SA [redacted] has advised that he believes robbery perpetrated by two unknown subjects being used by [redacted] and [redacted] top jewel thief from Miami. Informant is in contact with [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] has been handling informant in a highly commendable manner and is taking every precaution to insure that informant is not compromised.

BUREAU RECORDS

ASAC Schmit EOD 1/6/41, is in grade GS-15, \$13,070.00.

SA Moore EOD 5/12/52, is in grade GS-12, \$8330.00. During past three years seven commendations, no censures. Rated excellent on 1958 annual performance report.

SA Meincke EOD 1/8/51, is in grade GS-12, \$8570.00. During past three years censured once as result of Bucar accident. Commended four times, once through SAC. Received \$200.00 cash awards, 5/18/55 and 10/11/56, for development of informants and work in connection with a Bank Robbery case. Rated excellent on 1958 annual performance report.

SA Shea EOD 2/5/51, is in grade GS-12, \$8330.00. During past three years commended three times, once through SAC and censured once for Bucar accident. Rated excellent on 1958 annual performance report.

SA [] EOD 3/31/52, is in grade GS-12, \$8330.00. During past three years commended on three occasions. No censures. Rated excellent on 1958 annual performance report. b6
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SA [] EOD 10/9/50, is in grade GS-12, \$8570.00. During past three years commended on five occasions, once through SAC. No censures. Rated excellent on 1958 annual performance report.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based on information submitted by SAC, Chicago, and Investigative Division, it appears that the performance of ASAC Schmit and SAs Meincke, Shea, and [] have been such as to warrant special recognition in the form of incentive awards. They have met the standard of the incentive awards program dealing with performance involving the overcoming of unusual difficulties. Based on table set out in the Bureau's plan for determining the amount of such award, their performance is considered to be of moderate value and broad application to the work of the Bureau, entitling them to an award of from \$150.00 to \$300.00. b6
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Although Relief Supervisor Moore and SA [] have obviously performed in a highly commendable manner, it does not appear their performance has been such as to warrant incentive awards. It is, therefore, recommended: b6
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1 - That ASAC Joseph L. Schmit and SAs William A. Meincke, Joseph G. Shea, and [] each be granted a cash award in the amount of \$150.00. (Amount recommended is in line with previous awards granted for similar type performance.)

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Authorization
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2 - That SAs Marlin H. ~~Moore~~, [redacted] and [redacted]
be commended for their able participation in this investigation.

W. H. C. 8/26 *Jagrell 8/20*

*Letter of Commendation
8/29-28 cont*

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAs MOORE, SHEA, MEINCKE,
[redacted] AND [redacted] ATTACHED.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 9/15/58

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b7CFROM : H. L. Edwards *DE
H. L. Edwards*SUBJECT:

Former Special Agent
Chicago
Dismissed November, 1957
Veteran

Tolson _____
Boardman _____
Belmont _____
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Parsons _____
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Trotter _____
W.C. Sullivan _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

By memo 9/8/58 the SAC, Chicago, forwarded ASAC Schmit's memo to him of the same date concerning a statement in a recent letter from to the Director that tried to bring to Schmit's attention certain irregularities had noted in the performance of his agent supervisor and that Schmit had told the accusations were ridiculous.

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ASAC Schmit's memo states he has analyzed the charges made against the Agent Supervisor, Carl N. Freyman, and has no idea what is talking about when says he tried to bring the charges to Schmit's attention. Schmit says statements to this effect and to the effect that Schmit allegedly said accusations were ridiculous are completely false. Schmit adds that if had made such allegations against Freyman orally or in writing to Schmit, Schmit would have had to take action to check them out by inquiry, with full advice to the Bureau.

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It is noted that Freyman's comments concerning the allegations against him have been received and indicate there is no substance in the allegations. This matter was handled separately.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of ASAC Schmit's denial, no further action is being taken.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 8/22/58

FROM : A. ROSEN *Rw*SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; ROBBERY DIAMONDS
IN EXCESS \$50,000 FROM HARRY WINSTON,
INCORPORATED - VICTIM, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Boardman _____
Belmont _____
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Nease _____
Parsons _____
Rosen *E* b6
Tamm _____ b7C
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ASAC Schmidt has recommended the payment of \$25,000 (subsequently agreed to \$10,000) to an informant in this case on condition that he will furnish substantial information resulting in the further identity of the perpetrators of the crime and place Bureau Agents in position to recover all or a substantial amount of the loss.

BACKGROUND OF CASE

On 8/21/58, the Harry Winston Jewelry representative, maintaining an office in Chicago, was robbed. No exact figure of the amount lost has been obtained. Best estimates indicate that it is at least \$250,000, may run to one-half million, and it is insured by Chicago insurance agency in the amount of \$750,000.

(Winston)

Investigation was instituted immediately following the robbery, by the FBI. Through our investigation with no outside help, we apprehended late yesterday a Chicago top jewel thief. He was found in possession of one diamond ring which fortunately could be identified and was identified by the manager of the Winston shop, who was slugged during the robbery. This stone is valued at \$1500, has definitely been identified by the manager who states he was slugged with a pistol and bandits removed this ring from his finger. was not one of the robbers. He was in possession, however, of the stolen ring.

The loot consists of unmounted loose stones. It will be difficult to identify individual pieces but a sizable amount recovered might assist in establishing identity through existing records and inventory.

PUBLICITY

The Chicago Office, following the pickup of and recognizing no Federal violation, put a press release out to all papers claiming credit for apprehending the subject and turning him over to local police department, which was done. Stories in "Chicago American," "Sun Times," "Tribune," and "News" carry front-page headlines giving FBI credit for apprehension of subject.

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Memorandum for The Director

RE: [REDACTED] UNKNOWN SUBJECTS

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BASIS FOR RECOMMENDING PAYMENT TO INFORMANT

The Chicago Office has an informant, who has in the past furnished information concerning jewel robberies and other data. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He gave us information concerning a fur theft which resulted in the recovery of over \$50,000 worth of furs. He has given us information which has assisted in identifying various top jewel thieves and Chicago considers the information he has furnished most helpful. They have not given him any money in the past. They have been informed that one of the top jewel thieves called and stated that he was greatly concerned ^{Re} ~~that~~ the pickup of [REDACTED] ^{informant} indicated that he may be asked [REDACTED] Chicago feels the informant, if handled properly at this time and with proper inducement might give us the identity of the individuals involved in this job and also put us in a position to recover a sizable amount of the jewelry. Chicago states a sizable amount would be approximately \$200,000. They, therefore, recommend, after discussion, that a \$10,000 payment be made to the informant for (1) services rendered in the past (2) full disclosure of the names of individuals involved in this job (3) on condition that a sizable amount, \$200,000, would be recovered (4) that he will continue to furnish information in the future, and [REDACTED] (5) we have never given him any money (6) this would be justified in this case even though no Federal violation is involved, as it would result in tremendous publicity and might act as a deterrent *for other such jobs.*

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We must recognize that the Tiffany job in New York and the Tobias job in Beverly Hills might be a pattern which is developing and which, if solved immediately, might act as a deterrent ~~if we could come up with a solution~~, even if there is no Federal violation. It is possible that the subjects involved may have fled interstate, in which event we would be able to proceed on the basis of unlawful flight violation; however, there is no indication that this exists in this case and we must recognize it.

RECOMME NDATION:

It is realized that a payment of \$10,000 is a sizable amount. I recommend it be authorized for Chicago on condition that we will obtain the names of the individuals in the Winston job and that we will also be in a position to recover a sizable amount, namely, approximately \$200,000 of jewelry. It is believed that we should authorize Chicago to use this amount to approach [REDACTED] and keep him working with the inducement to the point where he will turn up the subjects involved and a sizable amount of the loot in this case.

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Memorandum for The Director

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS

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I believe it will act as a deterrent and give the Bureau a tremendous amount of good will and will be most unusual if we could solve it in view of the fact it will be and is a notorious ~~situation~~ *Case*.

If approved, this matter will immediately be handled with the Chicago Office. It can reasonably be anticipated that if we are not able to solve this one in a short period of time, even though it is not within our jurisdiction on the basis of the facts known to us now, it will become difficult to handle in the future and obviously the loot will be split up or divided and will become unidentifiable ~~by~~ the lapse of time.

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OK - C.O.D. 10,000.
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All handled

*Weaver commanding
Schmidt
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November 17, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Schmit:

It has recently been learned that for an extended period of time a number of the stenographers assigned to the Chicago Division were engaging in certain improper activities which violated Bureau regulations. In connection with this matter you have stated that during the time you served as Assistant Special Agent in Charge at Chicago you had no knowledge of the existence of this potentially embarrassing situation.

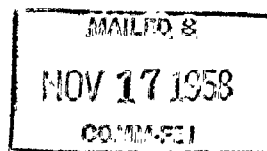
It is apparent from the above that you were not adequately carrying out your supervisory responsibilities and, therefore, it will be incumbent upon you to demonstrate more alertness in the future to the Bureau's best interests and to make certain that any similar conditions are promptly discovered and eliminated.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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- 1 - SAC, New York (Personal Attention)
- 1 - SOG New York Field Office Personnel File

Based on memo Mr. Tamm to Mr. Tolson 11-12-58-JDP:mdk.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 10/31/58

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT, ASAC
(Employee's present payroll name)

NEW YORK

(Division)

PAYROLL NAME (List as desired on payroll)

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

ADDRESS AND PHONE CHANGE

Present phone number (city)	Present address
LEnox 9-3453	162-20 Ninth Ave., Apt. 5C, Whitestone 57, N.Y.

NOTE: (The following must be executed in reporting BIRTHS or CHANGES IN MARITAL STATUS.)

Has spouse ever been an employee of the Bureau?	
1. ☐ Yes ☐ Present ☐ Former	2. ☐ No

MARITAL STATUS

Married to - Show full (maiden) name of spouse	Date and place of marriage
Data re spouse	
Birth date	Birthplace
Legal Residence	Occupation
Name, address, and telephone number of person to be notified in case of emergency	

BIRTHS

Girl named	Boy named
Born on	Birthplace
To employee and (Name of spouse)	
This is their _____ child	

JLS:MMF

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DIRECTOR, FBI

September 8, 1958

SAC, CHICAGO (87-11468)

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
A. ROSEN

[redacted] was.; UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
Robbery of Diamonds Valued Approximately
\$400,000 from HARRY WINSTON, Inc. - VICTIM
ITSP - MT

Re Bureau phone call from Mr. EVANS, Investi-
gative Division, to ASAC J. L. SCHMIT, September 6, 1958.

In reBuphone call Mr. EVANS referred to Chicago
teletype in captioned case dated September 5, 1958, and
said there was an apparent discrepancy between data contained
therein and information contained in St. Louis teletype
dated September 4, 1958. Mr. EVANS stated that the St. Louis
teletype reflected the Chicago Office furnished information
telephonically on the evening of August 21, 1958, to the
St. Louis Office to the effect that two individuals at the
airport had identified [redacted] as being identical
with [redacted] who is better known as [redacted]
Chicago teletype of September 5, 1958, indicated that one
employee of Delta Airlines had identified [redacted] as being
identical with [redacted] whereas the employee at American Airlines
said the photograph of [redacted] bore a close resemblance to
[redacted] although he could not be certain they were identical.

Mr. EVANS requested that memoranda be submitted
by the employees of the Chicago Office concerned with this
discrepancy.

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In accordance with the Bureau's request, I am
attaching hereto memoranda from Relief Supervisor [redacted] H.
MOORE, Field Supervisor JAMES T. MORELAND and ASAC J. L. SCHMIT,
reflecting the events as they transpired in relation to the
instructions issued to the St. Louis Office. These memoranda
are self-explanatory.

In view of the identifications made at the airport
and the short length of time before the plane was to land in
St. Louis, I feel that the action taken was entirely proper.
It is also noted that the attached memoranda were prepared

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3 - Chicago

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based upon information contained in the Chicago file in this case as to what instructions were issued to St. Louis as well as the results of checking out [] by the St. Louis Office. Since in my opinion it was essential to determine whether [] in fact was identical with [], I recommend against any administrative action.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (87-11468)

DATE: September 8, 1958

FROM : ASAC J. L. SCHMIT

SUBJECT: [REDACTED], was.; UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
 Robbery of Diamonds Valued Approximately
 \$400,000 from HARRY WINSTON, Inc. - VICTIM
 Chicago, Illinois, 8/21/58
 ITSP - MT

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In accordance with instructions from the Bureau, this memorandum is submitted to reflect my conversation with SAC HOWARD of the St. Louis Office sometime between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. on the evening of August 21, 1958. In this connection reference is made to previous memoranda submitted by Relief Supervisor MARLIN H. MOORE and Field Supervisor JAMES T. MORELAND.

SAC HOWARD telephonically contacted the Chicago Office between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. on the evening of August 21, 1958. He said he was at the St. Louis airport, the airplane had landed and he had personally interviewed [REDACTED]. He expressed the opinion that [REDACTED] was not identical with [REDACTED]. He reached this conclusion based on examination of the photograph of [REDACTED] compared with the physical observation of [REDACTED] plus the fact that [REDACTED] had numerous identifications reflecting residence in Chicago and employment with the Graybar Electric Company. SAC HOWARD furnished [REDACTED] residence address and telephone as claimed by [REDACTED] which I checked in the Chicago Telephone Directory while SAC HOWARD was on the line. The telephone directory confirmed [REDACTED] claim. SAC HOWARD said that [REDACTED] claimed he had taken the airplane flight to St. Louis to go to the races and requested that his employer not be contacted since the employer did not know he was in St. Louis.

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At this point I informed SAC HOWARD that [REDACTED] who was in the Chicago Office at that time, had been found to be in possession of a diamond ring which had been identified as being identical with that taken forcibly from the victim in the Winston jewel robbery. I also said that in view of the positive identification made at the airport by airline employee he should be certain that [REDACTED] was not identical with [REDACTED]. SAC HOWARD then said that he definitely had reached that conclusion and that [REDACTED] would be permitted to go on his way.

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September 25, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On September 22, 1958, I saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit of the Chicago Field Division, who was en route to New York to assume the duties as Assistant Special Agent in Charge of that office in charge of the Espionage Division.

Mr. Schmit makes a good, substantial appearance, seems to be intensely interested in his work, and I would certainly rate him above average.

I told Mr. Schmit his new assignment would be a real challenge in view of the undesirable conditions which had prevailed in New York for some time and that I had recently made extensive changes in the top personnel of that office in order to correct these conditions and bring about a change in operations of our largest field division.

I told Mr. Schmit that while he would be in charge of the Espionage Division of that office, one of the most important operations in New York, he should, nevertheless, give thought, study, and consideration to the over-all problems of the New York Office because I believed that one of the weaknesses in the administration of that office had been the rather rigid compartmentalized viewpoint of the executives of the New York Office who gave thought and attention only to their individual operations and not to the over-all operations. I stressed the fact that the New York Office must work as a team within as well as a team with the Bureau throughout the country.

I discussed with Mr. Schmit the delinquency in the individual classes of cases in New York; the fact that convictions were down 6%; fines, savings, and recoveries were down 62%; apprehension of fugitives down 6%; and the cost of operations up 11% for the first two months of the current fiscal year when compared with the same period of the previous fiscal year.

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson

September 25, 1958

I also called Mr. Schmit's attention to the excessive amount of time being spent in the office by the New York Agents and that those in the Espionage Division were spending over 25% of their time in the office which I thought was grossly excessive and he should give very prompt attention to this.

I also called attention to the fact the Agents were closing but 4.4 cases per Agent per month, whereas the average for the service was 8.6, and every step should be taken to increase production.

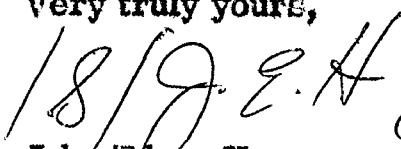
I stressed the fact it had been necessary to write 98 letters of censure to the personnel in the New York Office during the last six months and this was exceedingly high. I stated it showed a gross lack of proper control and discipline in measuring up to individual responsibilities.

I mentioned to Mr. Schmit the importance of "technical" operations in New York as we had the largest number of technicals in operation there of any office in the service. I stated I wanted all technicals to be very carefully screened and none continued or recommended without substantial grounds for the same.

I called to Mr. Schmit's attention the unsatisfactory relations we have had with the Nassau County Police as well as some of the problems with which we have been faced with the New York City Police.

I likewise called his attention to the fact there were 16 unsolved bank robberies and 3 unsolved jewel robberies in the New York Division as well as the New York Office being the office of origin in a number of "Top Ten" cases. I stated this required very careful attention and supervision.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (LAST [CAPS]—First—Middle—Mr.—Miss—Mrs.)

SCHEIDT, JOSEPH L. (JR.)

2. DATE OF BIRTH

6-20-16

3. IDENTIFICATION (optional)

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4. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE PERSONNEL ACTION DESCRIBED BELOW, WHICH AFFECTS YOUR EMPLOYMENT. GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR EMPLOYMENT APPEARS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM.

5. NATURE OF ACTION (standard terminology must be used)

PROMOTION

6. EFFECTIVE
DATE OF ACTION

9-7-58

7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY

EXEMPTED BY LAW

FROM— SA (ASAC)

GS 15

\$13,670 per annum

8. POSITION TITLE
AND NUMBER

9. SERIES, GRADE,
SALARY

10. NAME AND
LOCATION OF
OFFICE BY
WHICH
EMPLOYED

11. DUTY
STATION

TO— SA (ASAC)

GS 16

\$14,100 per annum

☐ Yes

12. APPORTIONED
POSITION

☐ Yes

☐ Apportionment Waived

STATE:

☐ Proved

13. VETERAN PREFERENCE

No	5-pt.	10-pt. Disab.	10-pt. Other
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14. TENURE GROUP

15. POSITION OCCUPIED IS IN THE:

☐ Competitive
Service

☒ Excepted
Service

16. APPROPRIATION

From: S. & E., FBI

To: Same

17. PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

CSR	FICA	FEGLI

18. DATE OF APPOINTMENT
AFFIDAVITS (accessions only)

19. REMARKS:

☐ a. Subject to completion of 1 year probationary (or trial) period commencing

☐ b. Service counting toward career (or permanent) tenure from:

Separations: Show reasons below, as required. Check, if applicable:

☐ c. During probation

☐ d. From appointment of 6 months or less

Basis for this position is Public Law 85-462, 85th Congress,
approved 6-20-58.

20. EMPLOYING DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY

U. S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

22. SIGNATURE (or other authentication) AND TITLE

Director

21. OFFICE MAINTAINING OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER (if different than
item 10, above) Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

23. DATE:

9-5-58

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: AUGUST 23, 1958

FROM : MR. F. J. BAUMGARDNER

Carl N. Freyman

SUBJECT: SOLO
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Tele. Room _____
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SYNOPSIS:

NY 694-S, 3, 4, 6a, 6b, 6d
J. L. Schmitz
C. Ray
Solo is code name for operation involving CG 5824-S as official liaison representative between Communist Party (CP), USA, and Soviet Union. Information developed in 1956 that Soviets and CPUSA both desired better means of communication. Survey of this over-all matter reflected that CG 5824-S offered our best potential of penetrating any courier apparatus which might be set up between CPUSA and Moscow. Through careful guidance afforded by Chicago Office and deft maneuvering on part of informant himself, CG 5824-S was ultimately selected by Eugene Dennis, CPUSA leader, to go to Moscow as official representative of CPUSA. This information was relayed to Soviets through Tim Buck, Canadian CP leader, and approval of CG 5824-S to act in this capacity was subsequently received from Moscow.

Dennis instructed informant he was on his own as far as technical problems and security aspects were concerned. Many personal and technical problems had to be surmounted prior to trip. Decision was made for informant to establish new identities ^{b7D} which necessitated obtaining such matters as new residence address, driver's license, bank account, birth certificates, passports, et cetera.

Invaluable assistance in over-all operation was afforded by NY 694-S, brother of CG 5824-S. NY 694-S has long been engaged in courier operations between CPUSA and Canadian CP. He was recipient of original information that liaison might be established between Soviets and CPUSA and he has played an extremely important part in ultimate selection of CG 5824-S as CPUSA courier.

All problems and obstacles were ultimately surmounted and ^{b7D} CG 5824-S departed for Moscow on 4-24-58. They spent one month in Moscow, another month touring Russia and 12 days in China. During this period, CG 5824-S conferred with most of highest ranking officials in Russia and China. He returned to this country on July 21, 1958.

Enclosure *sent 9-8-58*
100-428091
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Administrative Division
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Thornton
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(See Addendum Administrative Division page 6c.)

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: SOLO
100-428091

OBSERVATIONS:

1. The excellent and careful planning of this over-all operation is evident through the fact that at no time during this trip was the security of our informants questioned. It is noted that had any such question arisen in either Russia or China, our informant [redacted] would undoubtedly have paid with their lives. b7D

2. The information obtained by these informants is invaluable and cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. The information which they brought back is obviously unavailable through any other source and included such matters as the current thinking of two of our most formidable potential enemies, Russia and China, in various international matters including the attitude toward our country. Through this operation, concrete evidence of Soviet financial aid to CPUSA has been established; the first direct liaison between CPUSA and Russia and China has been established; the door has been opened for possible future contacts; and informant has arranged for communications between CPUSA and Russia and China to pass through him.

3. Highlights of information obtained by informant have been disseminated to Vice President Nixon, the White House, the Secretary of State and the Attorney General. Additional information will be divulged when the Director briefs the Cabinet in the near future.

4. The over-all outstanding success of this entire operation has once again solidified the Bureau's reputation as the outstanding intelligence agency in the world.

RECOMMENDATIONS BY SAC, CHICAGO:

By letter 8-22-58, SAC, Chicago, submitted following recommendations concerning the Solo operation:

1. That SA Carl N. Freyman, field supervisor in Chicago Office, and SA John E. Keating be afforded incentive awards in the amount of \$1,000 each for their outstanding contributions to the over-all success of this operation. SA Freyman originally developed CG 5824-S [redacted] in Spring of 1952. He handled and continued their development for approximately two and one-half years at which time he assumed supervisory duties. Since that time, these informants have been under his direct supervision. SA Keating has been assigned to handle these b7D

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two informants since March, 1955. SAC, Chicago, points out that both of these Agents have worked tirelessly and have developed an outstanding interest and knowledge of Marxism-Leninism which is essential in the successful maintenance of the services of these informants. The poor health of the informants and many personal problems as well as the high level at which they operate in the CP have constituted obstacles in continuing to maintain their services and in obtaining valuable information which they can furnish. To properly handle these informants requires availability at all hours of the day and on a basis of seven days a week. Since informant's return to United States from Russia, SA Keating has worked day and night, seven days a week, in handling the information brought back by the informant. b6 b7C

2. SAC, Chicago, further recommends that [redacted] confidential clerk (stenography), be afforded an incentive award in the amount of \$150 for her valuable contributions to this operation. In reporting the information obtained by CG 5824-S, [redacted] performed outstanding work during the period July 28 through August, 19, 1958. During this period she worked a total of 77 hours overtime in taking dictation from the informant and transcribing, typing and putting this information in final form for rapid transmittal to the Bureau. On one occasion, the informant dictated from approximately 4:00 p.m. to midnight with exception of one hour for dinner. On another occasion, the informant dictated a total of 10 hours in one day. This dictation was extremely complicated due to the use of many Marxist-Leninist terms as well as involved names of persons and places in Russia and China. During this period, [redacted] transcribed and typed approximately 400 pages of dictation. SAC, Chicago, points out that [redacted] has demonstrated an outstanding willingness to work long hours in order that this project could be completed in the shortest possible time. ✓

By memorandum Auerbach to Belmont dated 8-26-58, SAC, Chicago, furnished the following additional recommendations:

3. That strong commendatory letters be directed over the Director's signature to CG 5824-S [redacted] and to NY 694-S with such letters to be personally delivered by SAC, Chicago, for informants' perusal only and then returned to SAC's safe in Chicago as a security measure. SAC, Chicago, feels this action will provide a distinct morale booster for these informants and should be of considerable assistance in their future handling. He also suggests that he personally deliver both letters in Chicago since NY 694-S will be coming there in connection with conferences with CG 5824-S, et cetera. b7D

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4. That CG 5824-S and NY 694-S be afforded incentive awards for their work. SAC, Chicago, indicated there is an excellent potential for future trips of this nature to be taken by informant [redacted] b7D. He also pointed out that through this action, the handling of these informants would be much easier.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION:

With regard to the foregoing recommendations of the SAC, Chicago, the Domestic Intelligence Division recommends:

1. That SA Carl N. Freyman and John E. Keating be afforded recognition in the form of incentive awards. It is felt, however, that the recommendation of the SAC, Chicago, in the amount of \$1,000 each is rather high and that a more appropriate figure would be \$500 each. It is noted that this operation is of major value and broad application to the entire Bureau which falls within the scale \$500 to \$725.

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2. That [redacted] confidential clerk (stenography), be afforded an incentive award in the amount of \$150. It is felt that her contribution to this operation is of moderate value and broad application to the entire Bureau which falls within the scale \$150 to \$300. b6 b7C

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3. That a personal letter over the Director's signature be directed to CG 5824-S [redacted] and a similar letter be directed to NY 694-S. Rather than having SAC, Chicago, personally deliver each of these letters, it is felt that he should confine this matter to personal b7D

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delivery of the letter to CG 5824-S and that the SAC, New York, should personally deliver the letter to NY 694-S in order to avoid any potential control problem over the handling of NY 694-S by New York Office. It is felt that should NY 694-S receive his letter from the SAC, Chicago, the informant might possibly feel that the New York Office was not affording him the proper recognition for his services. In order to retain control of these letters, they will be exhibited to the informants but not turned over to them for security reasons. Following examination by informants, the letters will be placed in the safes of the Chicago and New York Offices until such time as their informant activities have been discontinued.

4. That CG 5824-S and NY 694-S be afforded incentive awards in the amount of \$1,000. It is felt that these informants certainly merit recognition for their services in this operation above and beyond their usual remuneration. They have been most cooperative and have explicitly followed the Bureau's instructions in every instance since the inception of the Solo operation. Inasmuch as this operation placed their very lives in danger, their willingness and cooperation in consummating this trip to the Soviet Union is something which they could very well have hesitated to do. It is realized that the amount of \$1,000 to each of these informants is merely a token award when the over-all value of this operation to the Bureau and the country as a whole is considered. This amount, however, is believed to be of sufficient substance as to let the informants know the value which we place upon their services. Through our granting of these awards, the control of these informants will certainly be enhanced and the way should be made easier for any future such trips of this nature.

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5. That personal letters of commendation be afforded SAC R. D. Auerbach and ASAC J. L. Schmit of the Chicago Office under whose personal supervision and direction this operation has been brought to an exceedingly successful conclusion.

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ACTION:

1. There is attached for your approval an appropriate communication to the SAC, Chicago, with copy to SAC, New York. Enclosed with this communication is a personal letter of commendation from the Director to CG 5824-S [redacted] Also enclosed for the New York Office is a similar letter directed to NY 694-S. Appropriate instructions are included regarding the manner in which these communications are to be made available to these informants. Instructions are also included to afford CG 5824-S and NY 694-S incentive awards in the amount of \$1,000 each, which awards are to be paid in cash. b7D

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2. This over-all memorandum should be forwarded to the Administrative Division for handling relative to the above recommendations concerning incentive awards and commendation.

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ADDENDUM:

F. J. BAUMGARDNER

SA [redacted] who serves as Supervisor-in-Charge of the Communist Party, USA, Unit in the Internal Security Section, also has made a major contribution in this matter. He was instrumental in recommending the subject of developing an individual to act as liaison between the Communist Party, USA, and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union be included on the agenda for the Internal Security - Espionage Conference held at the Seat of Government October 22 and 23, 1956. He led the discussion at the conference on this subject and later sent a letter to all offices dated November 2, 1956, outlining the steps to be taken in our efforts to develop such a liaison agent. When, in April, 1957, we learned the Russians wanted to talk to a representative of the Communist Party, USA, Mr. [redacted] recognized the opportunity and directed a letter to the Chicago Office dated April 30, 1957, instructing that every effort be made to take advantage of the opportunity of putting CG 5824-S in a position where he would be selected by the Communist Party, USA, to make the trip to Russia. During the entire course of this project, Mr. [redacted] closely supervised innumerable details, such as the cover name to be used on the passport; the time the trip should be made; the manner in which the informant would conduct himself when discussing this matter with Communist Party, USA, leaders; the amount of money the informant should take with him; the decision as to whether [redacted] should make the trip; and a thorough briefing to the informant concerning his security while he was out of the country. He exercised excellent judgment in following this case to insure that proper action was being taken at each stage of development so that ultimate success would be achieved. It is believed recognition of his services is warranted and it is, therefore, recommended he be granted an incentive award in the amount of \$200. Form FD-255 is attached in support of this recommendation.

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[redacted] who serves in the capacity of [redacted] the Communist Party, USA, Unit, has very capably handled stenographic and clerical operations and has been responsible for preparing high level dissemination made to date in connection with this matter. It is recommended she be afforded a letter of commendation.

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ADDENDUM:

MR. A. H. BELMONT

Completion of this operation represents particularly noteworthy achievement in the security field. From the inception of this project, Section Chief F. J. Baumgardner, Internal Security Section, constantly directed the efforts being made to establish the liaison link between the Communist Party, USA, and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. He analyzed the entire problem and concentrated the Bureau's efforts in a number of directions including attempts to set up [redacted] and [redacted] as well as the development of businessmen engaged in the transaction of legitimate business in Russia. When efforts in this direction failed to produce the desired results, he pushed with considerable vigor the idea that CG 5824-S had the potential and under proper guidance and direction could be placed in this liaison capacity. With my concurrence, he provided over-all guidance and direction to this project and contributed many valuable suggestions and ideas throughout the course of the operation. His enthusiastic approach and energetic pushing of this project as well as the good judgment exhibited throughout constituted material contribution to the result achieved and is considered to be of sufficient magnitude to warrant recognition in the form of an incentive award. It is, therefore, recommended he be afforded an award in the amount of \$200 and Form FD-255 in support thereof is attached. b7D


Inspector Joseph A. Sizoo, who is Branch Chief of the Internal Security-Subversive Control-Liaison Branch, also contributed much to the final outcome of this project. He provided over-all supervision, inspiration and energetically pushed the project to its successful conclusion. It is recommended that he be furnished a letter of commendation.

ADDENDUM OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION: 9/5/58, CRD:dmb.

The success in this instance, without question, is probably the most outstanding that has been realized over a period of years in the Bureau's Internal Security work. It is due directly to the exceptional performance of everyone along the line. The greatest recognition, of course, is due to the two agents who developed and handled CG 5824-S. Incentive awards to them and to the others recommended for awards appear entirely justified.

It is noted SOG Supervisor [] has been recommended for an incentive award and his performance in this instance appears to justify same. It is noted, however, that when recently interviewed by [] he declared he was interested and available for advancement in the Bureau but expressed a desire to be immediately assigned to the field as an SAC or ASAC if he was to be considered for advancement. If not, he indicated he would prefer to be transferred to the field as an agent. This matter is being handled separately; however, it is not felt that it should have any bearing on the merits of his performance in this particular case.

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HIS ATTITUDE IS EXCELLENT. BEING RECOMMENDED FOR ADVANCEMENT. SRC
BUREAU RECORDS OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDED FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS: 7/6

SA Freyman, Chicago. EOD 2/2/42, GS-13, \$11,090. During last three years has been censured three times and commended on five occasions. 1958 annual performance rating Excellent.

SA Keating, Chicago. EOD 8/25/41 as Clerk and 9/20/48 as SA, GS-13, \$10,130. During last three years has been commended twice and on 10/5/55 received \$150 incentive award and on 9/10/57 a \$200 award for exceptional handling of security informant CG 5824-S. 1958 annual performance rating Excellent.

[] Confidential Clerk (Stenography), Chicago. EOD 6/22/53, GS-5, \$4,490. Commended twice and on 2/18/58 received \$125 incentive award for sustained above-average performance, primarily for transcribing material furnished by security informant CG 5824-S.

SOG Section Chief Baumgardner EOD 12/4/39, GS-15, \$13,970. During last three years has been censured twice and commended on fourteen occasions. 1958 annual performance rating Excellent.

SOG Supervisor [] EOD 5/26/47, GS-14, \$11,835. During last three years censured on three occasions, two of which were for errors appearing in communications. Commended on six occasions. 1958 annual performance rating Excellent.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

1. That SA Carl N. Freyman and John E. Keating of the Chicago Office be approved for incentive awards of \$500 each for the major contributions made by them toward the outstanding results attained in this case.

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2. That [redacted] Confidential Clerk (Stenography) be approved for an incentive award of \$150 for the sustained contributions made by her toward the success realized in this case.

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3. That SOG Section Chief Fred J. Baumgardner and SOG Supervisor [redacted] be approved for incentive awards of \$200 each for the substantial contributions made by them in this over-all difficult operation.

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4. That SAC R. D. Auerbach and ASAC J. L. Schmit of the Chicago Office under whose personal supervision and direction this operation has been brought to a successful conclusion be commended.

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5. That Inspector Joseph A. Sizoo, Branch Chief of the Internal Security - Subversive Control - Liaison Branch and Assistant Director Alan H. Belmont be commended for the over-all capable, energetic and inspirational way in which they directed this project to its successful conclusion.

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6. [redacted] secretary in the Internal Security Section, be commended for her capable handling of many important and urgent matters relating to this matter.

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7. That favorable consideration be given to the recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that CG 5824-S and N. Y. 694-S be afforded meritorious awards in the amount of \$1,000 each for their outstanding services to the Bureau and the country. Domestic Intelligence Division also recommended a personal letter over the Director's signature to CG 5824-S [redacted] and a similar letter to N. Y. 694-S, that these letters be personally delivered to the informants by their respective SACs. In order to retain control of these letters they will be turned over to the informants but not turned over to them at this time for security reasons. They will be placed in the Chicago and New York safes until such time as their informant activities have been discontinued. Appropriate letters to them are attached. Also attached is a cover letter to SAC, Chicago, with copy to SAC, New York. b7D

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Inspector H. L. Edwards, who is currently conducting an inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division, concurs with the foregoing recommendations. He advises nothing has been developed during the inspection to impair the eligibility of any of the Domestic Intelligence Division personnel for the recognition recommended.

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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE FILES OF EMPLOYEES RECOMMENDED FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS ARE ATTACHED.

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DETAILS:

Background:

From the time we commenced our investigation of CPUSA, we have, of course, known that it was an integral part of the international communist conspiracy and completely subservient to the Soviet Union. In recent years, CPUSA has engaged in extensive campaign seeking to portray itself as an independent organization with no external ties which wants only a peaceful transition to socialism through constitutional means. Its success in this regard can be measured in large part by recent Supreme Court decisions in the security field, reversal of Smith Act convictions in the lower courts, statements favorable to communism by so-called "intellectuals" in this country and the like.

We have long realized that despite all the information we could assemble, nothing could take the place of evidence furnished by an individual who was an integral part of any direct liaison between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. In order to achieve that goal, we instituted a program in the latter part of 1956 to explore the possibility of penetrating any such liaison between CPUSA and the Soviet Union with one of our established informants or possibly some other cooperative individual.

In 1956, we developed conclusive evidence that both the Soviets in Russia and Party officials in this country were dissatisfied with the system of communications between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA. In an attempt to capitalize upon this information, we conducted a survey of each of our field divisions in November, 1956, regarding the potential of each of our informants of being selected as a courier between the Soviets and the CPUSA. At the same time, we also considered the possibility that certain businessmen who are known to travel to Russia on legitimate business might offer a potential in this regard. Following this survey, the ultimate decision was made that CG 5824-S afforded us the greatest opportunity in this regard.

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Guidance of CG 5824-S into Liaison Capacity

CG 5824-S is a charter member of the CPUSA. He broke with the Party from 1945 to 1950 during which period he was considered a Browderite. After re-entering Party activities, he was initially developed as a Bureau informant in 1952. Through careful direction and excellent guidance by the Chicago Office, he gradually worked himself back to a position of national prominence in Party circles. His activities in this regard were made doubly difficult in that during recent years, the Party has gone through a period of intense factionalism and it has been only through the most skillful maneuvering not only on the part of the informant himself but Agents of our Chicago Office that the informant has been able to remain in good favor with the Party's top leadership, especially Eugene Dennis who is now recognized as the leader of the CPUSA. The informant's rise to prominence resulted in his attendance at the Party's 16th National Convention in February, 1957, his subsequent selection as chairman of the Party's national affairs commission and his designation as one of two individuals to a national auditing committee which gave him access to information relative to the Party's reserve funds.

Through the extremely close supervision of the Chicago Office as well as the informant's own maneuvering, he was selected in April, 1957, to attend an important meeting of the Canadian CP as an official representative of the CPUSA. In May, 1957, in a similar capacity, he conferred with top-ranking leaders of the Mexican CP.

In July, 1957, Dennis selected CG 5824-S as the person who should proceed to Moscow as the liaison representative between the CPUSA and the Soviets. This information was subsequently relayed to Russia through Tim Buck, Canadian CP leader, and word came back from the Soviets that the informant was approved by the Russians to come to the Soviet Union as an official representative of the CPUSA.

Although Dennis designated the informant to function in this liaison capacity, he told the informant that he would have to work out his own technical problems and that he was on his own in so far as security was concerned.

Many problems and obstacles had to be overcome in order to bring the informant's trip to reality. Numerous plans were considered and lengthy consultations were had with the informant [redacted] b7D

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[redacted] to devise a plan which would not arouse Russian suspicions. It was decided that informant [redacted] should assume [redacted] This involved three months of planning and necessitated the working out of minutest details including obtaining [redacted]

and, of course, the necessary passports. These obstacles were overcome by Chicago Office in cooperation with our Laboratory. Another problem which had to be considered was the personal health of informant [redacted] as well [redacted] while absent and the handling of local Illinois CP representatives, so that no suspicion would arise due to the long absence of informant [redacted]

The assistance of NY 694-S, who is a brother of CG 5824-S, was invaluable in connection with the various problems regarding travel plans, travel papers, discussions with Tim Buck and other problems arising from the nature of this operation. It is noted that NY 694-S has long been one of our most valuable informants and is utilized by the CPUSA in a courier operation between the CPUSA and the Canadian CP.

All necessary preparations were ultimately completed and on April 24, 1958, informant [redacted] left for Moscow. They spent about one month in Moscow, another month touring Russia and 12 days in Peking, China, conferring with the highest ranking Chinese officials. They returned to this country on July 21, 1958.

Results of Informant's Trip:

The excellent and careful planning which went into this operation is clearly evidenced through the fact that the informant [redacted] conferred with the highest ranking officials both in the Soviet Union and China without the slightest question being raised as to their security. The information which they brought back as a result of their discussions with the Russian and the Chinese officials could not be duplicated at this time by any other noncommunist nation in the world. The value and accomplishments of this operation are clearly evidenced when we consider the following results:

1. The first direct liaison between the CPUSA and Russia and China in many years was accomplished by an FBI informant.
2. Informant has arranged for communications between CPUSA and Russia and China to pass through him.
3. Future contacts with Soviets and Chinese are now a possibility.

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4. The attitude and thinking of two of our greatest potential enemies, Russia and China, toward the United States have been obtained firsthand by an FBI informant.

5. Concrete evidence of Soviet financial aid to CPUSA has been established.

6. Highlights of information obtained by our informant have been furnished to Vice President Nixon, the White House, Secretary of State and the Attorney General. Further information concerning this operation will be divulged when the Director briefs the Cabinet in the near future.

Mr. Tolson

November 12, 1958

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**INSPECTION - CHICAGO OFFICE
CHECK POOL**

BACKGROUND: As previously indicated in my memorandum of 11-7-58, during the inspection of the Chicago Office a mimeographed list containing the names of 55 stenographers of the Chicago Office were found in the desk of one stenographer. List was captioned "Check Pool." Administrative action has been recommended concerning the stenographer who reproduced the mimeographed list, the principal stenographer, as well as SAC Auerbach.

Explanations were requested from SAC Donald S. Hostetter, former SAC at Chicago, and ASAC Joseph L. Schmitt, former ASAC at Chicago, inasmuch as inquiry indicated the check pool had been in existence since 1955.

SAC Hostetter states he was not aware that a check pool of any type was in operation in the Chicago Office during the period he served as SAC at Chicago. ASAC Joseph L. Schmitt also advised that he was not aware that a check pool was in existence in the Chicago stenographic pool. ASAC Schmitt advised that close supervision of the stenographic pool was maintained by him while at Chicago and that frequent spot checks were made of the physical condition and maintenance of the space occupied by the stenographic pool which included checks of the desks, as well as file cabinets wherein the stenographers' workboxes were maintained. He regrets that he did not become aware of the existence of this check pool. The explanations of SAC Hostetter and ASAC Schmitt are attached.

OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS: Although, as indicated previously, the check pool activity was not conducted on Bureau time and the employees, who were very young, apparently did not know they were in violation of a Bureau regulation, it is felt that the indoctrination and supervision of these employees were not handled in the proper manner.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1. That SAC Donald S. Hostetter be censured for his failure to uncover and stop such activity as was being engaged in by the stenographic pool as indicated above. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

Enclosures (2)

cc - Mr. Mohr

cc - Personnel file of SAC Donald S. Hostetter

cc - Personnel file of ASAC Joseph L. Schmitt

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Re: Inspection - Chicago Office
Check Pool

2. That ASAC Joseph L. Schmit be censured for his failure to properly indoctrinate the stenographic personnel during the period of time he was ASAC at Chicago concerning the above matter. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

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MEMORANDUM

Inspector James H. Gale has advised that during the course of an office inspection of the Chicago Office, 20 copies of a mimeograph list containing the names of 55 stenographers and marked "Check Pool" were found in the desk of one of the stenographers. Inspector Gale stated that it has been established that this check pool was in existence at least since April of 1955. An explanation was requested from ASAC J. L. Schmit in view of the fact that he was ASAC of the Chicago Office from 1/10/55 to 9/16/58 as to whether or not he was aware the check pool was in existence and, if so, why no action was taken to stop same.

COMMENTS OF ASAC J. L. SCHMIT: The Inspector's observations have been noted. I was not aware that a check pool such as described by the Inspector was in existence in the Chicago Stenographic Pool.

During my assignment as ASAC of the Chicago Office, every effort was made to maintain close supervision of the Stenographic Pool in conjunction with my other duties as ASAC. Tight supervision was maintained to be certain that there were no violations of the Bureau's five-day rule and all dictation was handled properly and promptly, that production was maintained at the highest possible level, and that the Stenographic Pool was operated in as economical and efficient a manner as possible. Once each two weeks I held conferences in my office with the supervisory personnel of the Stenographic Pool to be certain that the above were accomplished. In addition, frequent spot checks were made of physical condition and maintenance of the space occupied by the Stenographic Pool which included checks of the desks as well as file cabinets wherein the stenographers' work boxes are maintained. It is regretted that during the above checks I did not become aware of the existence of this check pool.

*Memo to Bureau to Tolson
11-12-58
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT	Relationship	WIFE	Date	10/13/58
Address	162-20 Ninth Ave., Apt. 5C, Whitestone 57, N. Y.				

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name	VIRGINIA K. SCHMIT	Relationship	WIFE	Date	10/13/58
Address	162-20 Ninth Ave., Apt. 5C, Whitestone 57, N. Y.				

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Very truly yours,

Joseph L. Schmit
Special Agent

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Supervisor
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Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175

Where Assigned: NEW YORK DIVISION 3 - ESPIONAGE
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Rating Period: from September 24, 1958 to November 24, 1958

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials
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Rated by: *[Signature]* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 12/2/58
Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: *[Signature]* Assistant Director DEC 5 1958
Signature Title Date

Rating Approved by: *[Signature]*
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

() Official
() Annual

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

ASSISTANT SPECIALName of Employee **JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175**Title **AGENT IN CHARGE**Rating Period: from **9/24/58** to **11/24/58****RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST**

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.

- Rate items as follows:
- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
 - E Excellent.
 - ✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
 - Unsatisfactory.
 - O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). <u>E</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. <u>E</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. <u>E</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives. <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. <u>E</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. <u>E</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. <u>E</u> (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties. <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application. <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. <u>E</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases <u>E</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases <u>E</u> (c) Fugitive cases <u>E</u> (d) Applicant cases <u>E</u> (e) Accounting cases <u>E</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability. <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) <u>E</u> (20) Performance as a witness. <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Leadership <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel <u>+</u> (c) Planning <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale <u>+</u> (j) Getting results <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) As leader <u>+</u> (b) As participant <u>E</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> Dictation ability _____ |
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A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): **ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE - DIVISION 3 - ESPIONAGE**B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): **ADMINISTRATOR**

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
- D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)
- E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: **EXCELLENT** EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS **JLS**

Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

PART I - GENERAL COMMENTS

This performance rating is submitted inasmuch as Mr. Joseph L. Schmit has been Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the New York Office for a period of sixty days. It is noted that this is his first performance rating covering the period of duty in his present grade.

Mr. Schmit has functioned during the past sixty days as Assistant Special Agent in Charge of Division 3. Division 3 encompasses all the espionage investigations handled by the New York Office. Mr. Schmit has shown a remarkable ability to absorb the functions of his position in the New York Office. He has won the confidence and respect of the supervisors and agents alike and exhibits an ability to go straight to the heart of the problems in his Division and come up with workable, practical solutions.

During Mr. Schmit's tenure in this office he has been commended for an increase in the number of cases closed per agent and a decrease in the amount of time spent in the office. Mr. Schmit shares in no small part in the responsibility for these accomplishments.

JLS

PART II

SPECIFIC COMMENTS

(1) Justification For Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable

(2) Experience and Ability as an Inspector's Aide

Mr. Schmit has not served as an Inspector's Aide since his assignment in this office but has acted as such in a completely satisfactory manner in the past.

(3) Participation in Informant Program

Mr. Schmit continues his leadership in this field.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS (CONTINUED)

(4) Testifying Experience and Ability

Mr. Schmit is completely qualified as a witness.

(5) Disciplinary Action

Mr. Schmit, since his arrival in the New York Office, has received one letter from the Bureau cautioning him to be completely aware of all phases of activity under his responsibility, in connection with an incident occurring in Chicago prior to his present assignment.

(6) Accounting Information

Not applicable

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS (CONTINUED)

(7) Police Instruction

Not applicable

(8) Sound Training

Not applicable

(9) Resident Agents

Not applicable

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS (CONTINUED)

(10) Foreign Language Ability

Not applicable

(11) Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement

- A- Is Agent interested in Administrative Advancement? ☒ YES ☐ NO
- B- Is Agent completely available for Administrative Advancement? ☒ YES ☐ NO
- C- Is Agent considered completely qualified at present for Administrative Advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance? ☒ YES ☐ NO
- D- If not completely qualified at present, does he have potential for future Administrative Advancement? ☐ YES ☐ NO

ASAC Schmit is interested in administrative advancement, is fully available for any assignment; as demonstrated by his actions of the past sixty days, is most capable in an administrative capacity and is, I feel, completely qualified to handle the duties of Special Agent in Charge.

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November 17, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. Harvey C. Foster
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Foster:

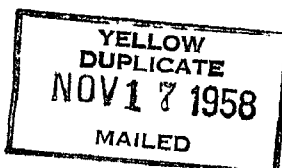
I have noted with great interest the information contained in your letter of November 12, 1958, concerning certain accomplishments of the New York Office during the month of October. It is most heartening to see the increase in the number of cases closed per Agent and a substantial decrease in the amount of time spent in the office.

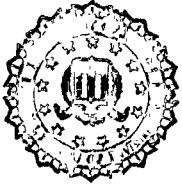
These accomplishments certainly reflect real leadership on the part of you and your assistants. It is a pleasure to commend you and through you Assistant Special Agents in Charge Bernard C. Brown, Alton M. Bryant, Norman B. McCabe and Joseph L. Schmit. It is my hope that through your combined efforts these favorable trends may be continued in the future.

Sincerely,

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York

November 12, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I thought you would be interested in what I consider to be a rather major "break through" in the New York Office.

For the first time, in any of the records available to me, agents' production has increased to 5.1 cases closed per agent, for the month of October, 1958, and adjusted time in the office has dropped below 20% for two months in a row. This was, naturally, pleasing to me, particularly since it was accomplished without a substantial increase in overtime, (2 hours, 9 minutes per agent in October, 1958).

I believe this progress can be attributed to the steadily improving morale in the New York Office and to the team efforts of ASACs Norman H. McCabe; Alton M. Bryant; Joseph L. Schmit; and Bernard C. Brown. I thought this was particularly significant inasmuch as it has been accomplished in spite of decreasing agent and clerical personnel in the office.

Sincerely,

H. G. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: IGOR Y. MELEKH
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PERSONAL ATTENTION

I wish to bring to the attention of the Bureau the excellent work of a number of Agents of the New York Office and an Agent of the Chicago Office in a double agent operation involving the captioned subject, a Soviet national employed by the United Nations Secretariat who is presently engaged in espionage activities.

[Redacted]

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2-Bureau (RM)
2-Chicago (RM)
(1-Personnel File SA [Redacted])

1-NY Personnel Files:

ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
SAS [Redacted]

JOHN J. DANAHY

NEIL D. HEINER, JR.

EDWARD G. MOHR
EDWARD J. MURPHY

1-NY 67-1777

SAS JAMES G. NAGLE

PETER P. PALKOWETZ

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GEORGE R. STEEL

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In view of the above, the possibility that this unidentified male might meet the informant on 11/22 or 23/58 [REDACTED] could not be overlooked. Therefore, appropriate coverage was afforded the meet area on 11-22 and 23/58. The meet did not occur on 11/22/58. The following is a resume of the activities which occurred on 11-23-58, as well as the names of the personnel participating:

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Survey of the Area

On 11/22/58, Street Supervisor GEORGE R. STELL supervised and directed personnel to proceed to the [REDACTED] to determine in what manner the meeting area could be covered. As a result of SA [REDACTED] direction, SA [REDACTED], surveyed the [REDACTED] and then made two detailed drawings of it. These drawings were of great value in determining what coverage could be afforded the meet and were used in briefing the Agents participating in this operation. SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] assisted SA [REDACTED] in the survey of [REDACTED]

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Through the use of [redacted]
[redacted] the following Special Agents were in a position in
the area of the meet to observe [redacted]
[redacted] These
Agents also observed [redacted] acting as a counter-
surveillance, sitting in his automobile IN the immediate
meet area. Additionally, several Agents were in a position
to assist in surveillance of the unidentified individual if
he met the informant or was observed in the meet area.

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Street Supervisor [redacted]
SAS [redacted]

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JAMES G. NAGLE

PETER P. PALKOWETZ

THOMAS P. SELLECK, JR.

SA EDWARD J. MURPHY, who is the case agent in the
NYO, was instrumental in co-ordinating various facets of
the investigation and assisted in the co-ordination of the
observation posts on 11/23/58. He also assisted SA RICHARD
H. NACHTSHEIM of the Chicago Office in interviewing and hand-
ling [redacted]

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Since Chicago may wish to make appropriate recom-
mendations with regard to SA RICHARD H. NACHTSHEIM, who was
in NY on a special assignment to handle [redacted] it is
noted for Chicago's information that SA NACHTSHEIM aided the
above operation materially by his direction and guidance of
[redacted] SA NACHTSHEIM also made valuable suggestions to
[redacted] which enabled the informant to participate succes-
sfully [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted] The case on WILLIE HIRSCH
(NY file 105-17705) is currently handled by SA [redacted]
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[redacted] co-ordination of the investigative efforts of
the NYO, with the Chicago Office, as pertains to the direction
of [redacted] were handled by SA [redacted]. He also was instrumental
in establishing secure operating points in NYC, where [redacted] was given necessary briefings and debriefings.

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Supervision

The immediate supervision of this case was handled by Supervisor [redacted] who also participated in the coverage of the meet.

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Supervision of the WILLIE HIRSCH case in the NYO was handled by Supervisor SIMON TULLAI, who co-ordinated arrangements for coverage of the subject at Newark, and participated in the NY operations regarding the subject.

The over-all coverage, both the surveillance and the case work, was handled by Staff Supervisor JOHN J. DANAHY, who also participated in the coverage of this meet. ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT personally observed [redacted]
[redacted]

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In view of the above, I directed that a copy of this memorandum be placed in the personnel file of each Agent participating.

Memorandum

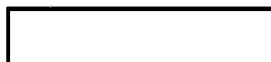
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

MAIL ROOM

DATE: 12/15/58

FROM :



SUBJECT:

REALLOCATION OF
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE
NEW YORK OFFICE

SAC Foster of the New York Office in a letter to the Director dated 12/15/58 stated the thought had occurred to him that the Director might possibly be considering the reallocation of ASACs E. G. Brown to Grade GS 17 and ASACs Herman E. McCabe and Alton M. Bryant to Grade GS 16 but may not have felt justified in doing so in the absence of a current inspection of the New York Office. The SAC stated that the recent accomplishments of the New York Office in lowering time spent in the office and raising Agent productivity as well as the aggressive spirit of the office had resulted in no small measure due to the efforts of these ASACs.

The SAC advised that these three ASACs working as a team with ASAC Joseph L. Schmit (presently in GS 16) and himself had been putting forth every effort to operate the New York Office in an aggressive "get the job done" manner as opposed to a defensive "by the book" operation. He stated that positive results are being achieved and that these men are dedicated individuals. The SAC stated that it would not be fair to fail to bring to the Director's attention the fact that the Agents' productivity and time spent in the office during the month of November did not reach the standard set by that office but it is anticipated that the previous favorable trend will be continued in the future. The SAC stated he hoped the Director did not think him presumptuous in calling these matters to the Director's attention but thought they might be of some assistance in reaching a decision concerning the possible reallocation of these ASACs.

ASAC B. C. BROWN

72-8407

He has been in Grade GS 16 since 2/13/55 and his present salary for that grade is \$14,670. He has been assigned as ASAC and 41 Man of the New York Office since 9/22/58. The Director saw him on 9/15/58 and stated he made a good substantial personal appearance. He was rated Excellent by SAC Foster on 11/22/58 and no administrative action has been taken against him since that time. He is the only ASAC in the New York Office.

Enclosures

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Letter to Mr. Mohr (continued)

ASAC NORMAN E. MC CABE

He has been in Grade GS 15 since 7/20/52 and his present salary in that grade is \$13,970 per annum. He has served as ASAC in the New York Office since 10/29/56. The Director last saw him on 11/13/57 and said he made a substantial appearance. He has been censured twice during the past year; on 4/15/58 for permitting ten Agents to remain principally assigned to the Security Informant Program for over one year without obtaining any significant results and for other delinquencies detected in his division during an inspection of the New York Office in March, 1958. He was censured 6/27/58 as a result of the recheck inspection of the New York Office and in this connection he was advised the Director was particularly concerned with the fact that certain Special Agents in his Division admittedly had not been putting forth their full efforts. He was rated Satisfactory 7/9/58 and was commended 11/17/58 through the SAC for his part in the accomplishments of the New York Office during October, 1958.

ASAC ALTON M. BRYANT

He has been in Grade GS 15 since 1/15/56 and his present salary in that grade is \$13,970 per annum. He has been assigned as ASAC in the New York Office since 7/21/58. The Director last saw him on 3/10/58 and stated he made an excellent personal appearance, seemed to be intensely enthusiastic and had a good grasp of matters in his division. The Director rated him above average. He was censured 9/18/58 for a deficiency which occurred while he was serving as ASAC of the New Haven Office. He utilized an Agent to handle assignments in a Resident Agency territory after the Agent had been previously removed as a Resident Agent there. He was censured 9/23/58 since it had been noted he had been a social guest at the Gaslight Club in New York City. He had also permitted an Agent under his supervision to enter into an unsatisfactory arrangement with an official of the club. He was censured 11/20/58 for approving an investigative report which contained several deficiencies while he was serving as ASAC in the New Haven Office. He was commended 11/17/58 through his SAC for his part in the favorable accomplishments of the New York Office during the previous month.

On 10/7/58 ASAC Bryant was considered for promotion to GS 16, however, it was recommended and approved that he not be considered for such promotion until the New York Office had been inspected again.

The next inspection of the New York Office has not been definitely set up but Inspector Malone has advised that the inspection will be held approximately

and your own inspection which was conducted in June, 1958.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that ASACs Brown, McCabe and Bryant of the New York Office not be considered for reallocation until after the next inspection of the New York Office which will be held about June, 1959.

*Disagree -
Suggest inspection
be moved up to
3-1-59.*

*Indicate
as follows*

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Disagree
SAC
12/24*

*Disagree
12/24*

*I agree
12/26 Kyes*

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF ASACS BROWN, BRYANT AND MC CABE ATTACHED

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January 23, 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On January 13, 1959, I saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit of the New York Field Division.

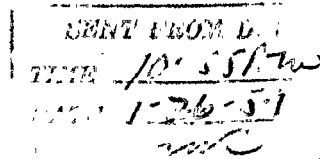
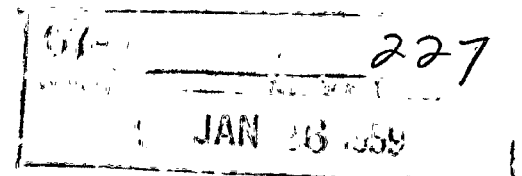
Mr. Schmit seems to be intensely interested in his work, and we discussed generally the supervision of cases which come under his jurisdiction in connection with his being in charge of the Espionage Squad of the New York Field Division.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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HERE'S YOUR HAT, MIK

Soviet First Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan departs for Moscow today.

We're glad to see this bird of evil omen take wing, think that if he never comes back it will be too soon, and hope he didn't pave the way for a U. S. visit by his boss, N. S. Khrushchev.



Gomm-bye, please,
Mikoyan—and don't
hurry back.

The most disgusting aspect of Mikoyan's tour, we think, was the way he was wined, dined and fawned upon by any number of U. S. industrialists, businessmen, bankers, labor leaders (not George Meany, though), and politicians.

Certainly it was all right for these people to try to sound out Mikoyan, just as he was trying to sound out Americans. But did they have to treat him as if he were a visiting prince from a friendly nation, rather than as an

uninvited snooper from an enemy nation?

It is reported that agitation has already begun in high Washington echelons for an early four-power (U. S., Britain, France, USSR) "summit" conference as a result of Mikoyan's trip.

We can't see what there is to discuss, considering that Mikoyan in his public utterances here didn't pull back an inch from the Kremlin's longtime stances on Germany and Formosa. But if our side does go for such a parley, how about at least insisting on an itemized advance program of discussion points?

Lacking such a program, Khrushchev can be counted on to turn another summit conference into a repetition of the 1955 Geneva propaganda tragi-farce, with at least 90% of the propaganda dividends collected by his fat self.

Another thing we don't like is the—

SCIENCE EXCHANGE

—about to be agreed on by Washington and Moscow.

The U. S. and the USSR are to swap perhaps 100 scientists for work in the two countries, including laboratory research.

This, it seems to us, is asking for Red spies to come here disguised as scientists and pinch vital U. S. secrets. Why not limit these exchanges to ballet troupes and jazz masters? At least, let's keep these fellows out of our laboratories.

CLIPPING FROM THE

N.Y. DAILY NEWS

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EDITORIAL

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York 21, New York

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

January 21, 1959

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. W.C. Sullivan	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I thought you would be interested in the attached editorial appearing in the January 20th issue of the New York Daily News. As I read the article I was impressed as to how closely it paralleled your thoughts regarding Mikoyan's trip to the United States as expressed to me during my recent visit with you last week.

I think this is an excellent editorial, particularly as to the realistic analysis of the Daily News as to the results of exchange of scientists between the two countries.

Your instruction and guidance imparted to me last week have been most helpful, and you are assured that we are making every effort to implement your desires in the Espionage field here in the New York Office.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph L. Schmit

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASAC

Attachment

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January 28, 1959

PERSONAL

Mr. Joseph L. Schmit
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York

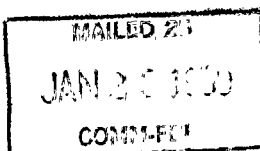
Dear Mr. Schmit:

Many thanks for your letter of January 21, 1959,
and the copy of the editorial which you so kindly sent me. It was
thoughtful of you to bring this item to my attention, and I found it
to be of considerable interest.

I am encouraged by your assurance that every
effort is being made to fully implement our operations in the
espionage field within the New York Office. Certainly this is
one of the most important phases of our responsibilities.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,



NOTE: Mr. Schmit is ASAC of the New York Division. He enclosed
an editorial from the New York Daily News of 1-20-59, which commented
rather acidly concerning the fawning manner in which Soviet Premier
Mikoyan was treated by our industrialists, bankers, politicians, etc.,
during his recent visit. It also comments on the exchange of scientific
personnel between the US and USSR.

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REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME Schmit, Joseph L.			2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION ASAC #3		3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State) 162-20 Ninth Avenue Whitestone 57, New York			5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION ANNUAL		6. DATE OF EXAMINATION 5 March 1959
7. SEX Male	8. RACE Caucasian	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE MILITARY CIVILIAN 18		10. AGENCY DEPT JUSTICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT FBI
12. DATE OF BIRTH 29 April 16		13. PLACE OF BIRTH Castlewood, S.D.		14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS USAD New York City (61-1224)90 Church Street, New York 7, New York			16. OTHER INFORMATION		
17. RATING OR SPECIALTY			TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (Total)		LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION		
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☒	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)	
☒	28. LUNGS AND CHEST (Include breasts)	
☒	29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)	
☒	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)	
☒	31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (Include hernia)	
☒	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate, if indicated)	
☒	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
☒	34. G-U SYSTEM	
☒	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion)	
☒	36. FEET	
☒	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion)	
☒	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
☒	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
☒	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
☒	41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)	
☒	42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)	
☒	43. PELVIC (Females only) (Check how done) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

31. Examination of the abdomen clinically is negative.
32. Prostate and lower rectum are negative to digital examination.

X RAY REPORTS

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#130867 GALL BLADDER SERIES: Prominent oval-shaped radio-lucent zone within the opacified gall bladder about the size of a robin's egg, representing cholesterol calculus.
M.J. FEDER, MD.

#131096

30 March 1959

BARIUM ENEMA: Preliminary survey of the abdomen shows some prominence of the hepatic shadow. Further studies by contrast enema shows no obstruction nor true intraluminal defect. Irregularity and serration of the mucosal pattern in the sigmoid. An ileocecal incompetency shows no abnormality. A post evacuation study shows no abnormality. The appendix is visualized. CONCL: Sigmoid Spasm.
M.J. FEDER, MD.

6bc Report

WBC 10,700, Neutrophils 68, Lymphocytes 27, Monocytes 4, Basophils 1, RBC 4,250,000, Hemoglobin 16 gms%, Sedimentation Rate 8 mm/hr; Hematocrit 41, CSR: 7 mm/hr.

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(Continue in item 73)

44. DENTAL (Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.)																		REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES	
O—Restorable teeth —Nonrestorable teeth X—Missing teeth XXX—Replaced by dentures (6 X 8)—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments																			
R I G H T	IX	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	IX	L	Normal occlusion Class 1	
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	F		

LABORATORY FINDINGS			
45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY 1.024		RECORDED	
B. ALBUMIN Negative		D. MICROSCOPIC	
C. SUGAR Negative		Negative/hpf	
47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result) Cardiolipin Negative		48. EKG Normal Record	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR Not Required
		50. OTHER TESTS None	

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT 66 3/4	52. WEIGHT 165	53. COLOR HAIR Black	54. COLOR EYES Brown	55. BUILD: ☒ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☐ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	56. TEMPERATURE 98.2
57. BLOOD PRESSURE (Arm at heart level)			58. PULSE (Arm at heart level)		
A. SITTING SYS. 130 DIAS. 80	B. RECUM-BENT SYS. DIAS.	C. STANDING (3 min.) SYS. DIAS.	A. SITTING 88	B. AFTER EXERCISE 104/75	C. 2 MIN. AFTER 88
59. DISTANT VISION			60. REFRACTION		
RIGHT 20/ 400 CORR. TO 20/ 20			BY -5.75 S. OX		
LEFT 20/ 400 CORR. TO 20/ 20			BY -4.00 S. OX		
61. NEAR VISION					
RIGHT 13 CORR. TO J1 BY					
LEFT J1 CORR. TO J1 BY					
62. HETEROPHORIA (Specify distance)					
ES°	EX°	R. H.	L. H.	PRISM DIV.	PRISM CONV. CT
63. ACCOMMODATION		64. COLOR VISION (Test used and result)		65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (Test used and score)	
RIGHT	LEFT	Ishihara (See Below)		UNCORRECTED	
66. FIELD OF VISION		67. NIGHT VISION (Test used and score)		68. RED LENS TEST	
69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION		70. HEARING		71. AUDIOMETER	
RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15		LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15		72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (Tests used and score)	

73. NOTES (Continued) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

64. Cannot read all American Optical charts; recognizes vivid red - vivid green. In my opinion perform full duty.

A. FALUSSY, MD.

(Use additional sheets if necessary)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (List diagnoses with item numbers)

31. Chronic cholecystitis and cholelithiasis. Recommend follow up observation by personal physician. The question of surgery should be left to the patient and the discretion of his physician.

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (Specify)

None

77. EXAMINEE (Check)

A. ☒ IS QUALIFIED FORB. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR DUTY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

SIGNATURE

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

SIGNATURE

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (Indicate which)

SIGNATURE

A. FALUSSY, MD.

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY

SIGNATURE

NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88, REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION
FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

Name of Examinee: Schmit Joseph L.
 (Type or print) Last First Middle

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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3	65
11	67
14	68
17	69
46	71
48	72
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46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.
48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.
49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.
71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS
OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☒ is ☐ is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

TO BE ANSWERED IN THE CASE OF ALL MALE EMPLOYEES AND MALE APPLICANTS:

- Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?
☒ No ☐ Yes. If "yes" please specify defects. _____
- Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?
☒ No ☐ Yes. If "yes" please specify defects. _____

Weights for Males

Height Feet-Inches	SMALL FRAME		MEDIUM FRAME		LARGE FRAME	
	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum
5 4	121-131	143	129-139	152	136-148	162
5 5	124-134	146	132-142	155	140-152	166
5 6	128-138	151	136-146	160	144-157	172
5 7	131-142	155	140-151	165	148-161	176
5 8	135-146	160	144-155	170	152-165	181
5 9	139-150	164	148-159	174	156-170	186
5 10	143-154	168	152-163	178	160-175	192
5 11	147-159	174	156-168	184	164-180	197
6 0	152-164	179	161-173	189	169-185	203
6 1	158-170	186	166-179	196	174-191	209
6 2	163-175	192	171-184	201	179-197	216
6 3	168-180	197	176-189	207	184-202	221
6 4	174-186	204	182-195	214	190-208	228
6 5	180-191	209	188-201	220	196-214	234

3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

4. Considering above weight table the examinee's frame and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds

☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

V. D. Jones MD

(Signature of Medical Examiner)

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(Date)

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 2/4/59

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

ATTENTION: PERSONNEL SECTION

SUBJECT: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
PHYSICAL CONDITION

PERSONAL ATTENTION

- ☒ Remylet 2/2/59 .
- ☐ Rebulet _____ .
- ☐ Re physical examination _____ .
- ☐ Weight without clothing now is _____ .
- ☐ Dental work was completed on _____ .
- ☐ Vision has been corrected to _____ .
- ☐ Chest X-ray results were negative .
- ☐ Personal physician advised he is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms .
- ☐ Attached are Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms _____ .
- ☐ Physical examination reports are enclosed .
- ☐ Employee is scheduled for physical examination on _____ .
- ☐ Employee has reviewed and initialed his physical examination report .
- ☒ Employee returned to active duty 2/4/59 .
- ☒ Employee's physical condition is satisfactory .
- ☐ UACB he is being placed on limited duty .
- ☐ UACB he is being removed from limited duty .

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☐ Additional remarks relative to items listed above:

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No action necessary

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 2/2/59

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
(Employee)
NEW YORK
(Division)

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ILLNESSES

Nature of illness: (Indicate extent of, description, and current condition under Remarks)		
☐ Accident	☐ Injury	☒ Disease
(Date of surgery and postoperative condition must be indicated under Remarks)		
Date sick leave commenced	Date ceased active duty	Expected date of return to duty
1/30/59	1/29/59	2/4/59
Confined at: ☐ Hospital ☒ Residence		
Address: 162-20 Ninth Ave., Apt. 5C, Whitestone 57, N. Y.		

Remarks:

ASAC SCHMIT suffered severe abdominal pain during night of 1/29/59 and was admitted to Whitestone Hospital, 166 12th Ave., Whitestone, N. Y. on morning of 1/30/59 for observation. He was discharged from hospital on afternoon of 1/31/59. X-ray examination and diagnostic tests were negative. ASAC SCHMIT's condition greatly improved.

DEATHS

☐ Father	☐ Mother	☐ Spouse	☐ Brother	☐ Sister	☐ Son	☐ Daughter
						☐ Other
_____ (Name of deceased)						_____ (Relationship)
Date and place of death						

Remarks:

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

*Walter - New York
Supervisor
W. J. [unclear]*

Name of Employee: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT #07175

Where Assigned: NEW YORK DIVISION III - ESPIONAGE
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Rating Period: from April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's
Initials

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Rated by: *[Signature]* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 3/31/59
Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: *[Signature]* Assistant Director MAY 5 1959
Signature Title Date

Rating Approved by: *[Signature]* Assistant Director MAY 5 1959
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

(X) Official
(X) Annual

() Administrative
() 60-Day
() 90-Day
() Transfer
() Separation from Service
() Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185.)

**ASSISTANT SPECIAL
AGENT IN CHARGE**
Name of Employee **JOSEPH L. SCHMIT** #07175Title **ASSISTANT SPECIAL
AGENT IN CHARGE**
Rating Period: from **4/1/58** to **3/31/59**

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.

- Rate items as follows:
- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
 - E Excellent.
 - ✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
 - Unsatisfactory.
 - O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
 - A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
 - B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

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|---|---|
| <u>+</u> (1) Personal appearance. | <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability. |
| <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts. | <u>+</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information. |
| <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load). | <u>+</u> (19) Reporting ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Investigative reports <u>+</u> (b) Summary reports <u>+</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires (Consider: <u>+</u> conciseness; <u>+</u> clarity; <u>+</u> organization; <u>+</u> thoroughness; <u>+</u> accuracy; <u>+</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>+</u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina). | <u>E</u> (20) Performance as a witness. |
| <u>+</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity. | <u>+</u> (21) Executive ability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Leadership <u>+</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel <u>+</u> (c) Planning <u>+</u> (d) Making decisions <u>+</u> (e) Assignment of work <u>+</u> (f) Training subordinates <u>+</u> (g) Devising procedures <u>+</u> (h) Emotional stability <u>+</u> (i) Promoting high morale <u>+</u> (j) Getting results |
| <u>E</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required. | <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) As leader <u>+</u> (b) As participant |
| <u>+</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives. | <u>E</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement. |
| <u>+</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility. | <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure. |
| <u>E</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work. | <u>+</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> Dictation ability _____ |
| <u>E</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail. | |
| <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties. | |
| <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | |
| <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application. | |
| <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills. | |
| <u>E</u> (15) Investigative ability and results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>+</u> (a) Internal security cases <u>E</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases <u>E</u> (c) Fugitive cases <u>E</u> (d) Applicant cases <u>E</u> (e) Accounting cases | |
| <u>E</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability. | |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.):

**ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE - DIVISION III
ESPIONAGE**

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker):

ADMINISTRATOR

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? **Yes** (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? **Yes** (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? **No** 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? **No** (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: **EXCELLENT** EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS **JLS**
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

Instant efficiency report is being submitted on Mr. JOSEPH L. SCHMIT as an annual performance rating. Mr. SCHMIT is Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the New York Office and, as such, is responsible for all supervision in the espionage field. Mr. SCHMIT makes an excellent appearance, is forceful and aggressive, and has demonstrated an ability to handle and supervise most complicated investigative matters.

Mr. SCHMIT's file is replete with commendations from the Bureau for matters ranging from criminal to internal security-espionage activities as well as for his administrative ability. He is responsible, in part, for a higher case productivity and lower time in the office than ever before recorded in the New York Office.

Mr. SCHMIT has the confidence and respect of the employees of his division, and I have noticed that this carries over to his outside contacts. He is capable of handling dangerous assignments, and not only handling them, but supervising them.

I have found that he has an outstanding ability to cut through to the heart of a problem, be it investigative or administrative, and come up with workable, practical solutions. As evidence of the team work he is putting into his present operation as Assistant Special Agent in Charge, he and agents of his division participated fully in two recent kidnapping cases despite the fact that these were not within his division.

I consider Mr. SCHMIT to be a most capable administrator and entitled to a rating of Excellent.

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PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable

2. Experience and Ability as an Inspector's Aide

Mr. SCHMIT has not acted as an Inspector's Aide during instant rating period but has acted very capably in the past in this category.

3. Participation in Informant Program

Mr. SCHMIT has responsibility as Assistant Special Agent in Charge of his division for giving leadership to the informant program in his field. I find that he discharges this responsibility in a most capable manner and that excellent progress is being made in this field in his division.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

Mr. SCHMIT is considered to be a very capable and qualified witness.

5. Disciplinary Action

Mr. SCHMIT has received one letter from the Bureau during the rating period cautioning him to be completely aware of all phases of activity under his responsibility in connection with an incident occurring in Chicago prior to his present assignment.

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable

7. Police Instruction

Not applicable

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8. Sound Training

Not applicable

9. Resident Agents

Not applicable

10. Foreign Language Ability

Not applicable

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(11) Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement

- A- Is Agent interested in Administrative Advancement? XX YES NO
- B- Is Agent completely available for Administrative Advancement? XX YES NO
- C- Is Agent considered completely qualified at present for Administrative Advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance? XX YES NO
- D- If not completely qualified at present, does he have potential for future Administrative Advancement? YES NO

11 C- ASAC SCHMIT is interested in administrative advancement, is available, and is, I feel, completely qualified to handle the duties of Special Agent in Charge.

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JOSEPH L. SCHMIT

ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

#07175

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SAC H. G. FOSTER: Since his transfer to NYO in September, 1958, Mr. Schmit has served as Assistant Special Agent in Charge of Division III (Espionage). He presents an excellent appearance, is forceful and aggressive, enjoys the confidence and respect of the employees in his Division, and has an outstanding ability to get through to the heart of a problem and come up with a workable, practical solution. He has installed enthusiasm into his men with his fresh outlook on espionage matters. He is a valuable member of the NYO executive team and has contributed very materially to the improvement in agent production, reduced time in the office, and substantial accomplishments. He is interested in and fully available for administrative advancement, and I feel he is completely qualified to serve as a Special Agent in Charge.

Rating: EXCELLENT

INSPECTOR MALONE: Schmit is ASAC in charge of the Espionage Division of the New York Office. He makes a very good appearance. He is industrious, conscientious, and loyal to the Bureau. He appears to have the confidence and respect of his subordinates. He manifests considerable enthusiasm for espionage work, closely follows all major cases in his division. Three substantive errors detected in his division (percentage below field average); Schmit directly involved in none of them. Errors of form in his division 8.67%, above New York Office average of 5.91% and current field-wide average of 7.05%.

A principal objective of espionage investigations is development of double agents and informants. In this respect, espionage division has made improvement since last inspection. Double agents have increased from 9 to 20, security informants from 17 to 26, and potential security informants from 6 to 43.

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Schmit appears to be doing a satisfactory job as an ASAC of the New York Office, and it is felt he can best serve the Bureau handling security work as ASAC in a large office. Recommendation regarding continuance in present assignment made in inspection summary.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/1/59

FROM : SAC, ~~NEW YORK~~

ATTENTION: PERSONNEL SECTION

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASAC #3
PHYSICAL CONDITION

☐ Remylet _____ .

☒ Rebulet 4/29/59 .

☐ Re physical examination _____ .

☐ Weight without clothing now is _____ .

☐ Dental work was completed on _____ .

☐ Vision has been corrected to _____ .

☐ Chest X-ray results were negative .

☐ Personal physician advised he is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms .

☐ Attached are Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms _____ .

☐ Physical examination reports are enclosed.

☐ Employee is scheduled for physical examination on _____ .

☐ Employee has reviewed and initialed his physical examination report.

☐ Employee returned to active duty _____ .

☐ Employee's physical condition is _____ .

☐ UACB he is being placed on limited duty.

☐ UACB he is being removed from limited duty.

ASAC SCHMIT's personal physician agrees with the diagnosis of chronic cholecystitis and cholelithiasis. His physician recommends eventual surgery and ASAC SCHMIT plans to have this done some time next summer.

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☐ Additional remarks relative to items listed above:

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Director, FBI

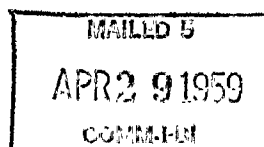
PERSONAL ATTENTION

1)
 JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
 ASAC #3
 PHYSICAL CONDITION

- () Rebutlet _____.
- () Reurlet _____.
- (X) Re Physical Examination 3/5/59.
- () Advise Bureau of present weight without clothing.
- () Advise Bureau if dental work has been completed.
- () Advise Bureau if vision has been corrected to 20/20.
- () Advise Bureau re physical condition.
- () Advise Bureau condition of _____.
- () Submit results of chest X ray immediately.
- () Submit statement from doctor advising if Agent is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- () Submit Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms.
- (X) Advise Bureau with regard to item #74 on referenced physical examination report.

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 REPLY: ATTENTION PERSONNEL SECTION

MAIL ROOM ☒ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On September 14, 1959, I saw Assistant Special Agent in Charge Joseph L. Schmit of the New York Field Division, who was in town for one day.

I discussed with Mr. Schmit the delinquency in the New York Field Division, observing, of course, that I realized he was not in charge of the criminal investigations of that office since he was in charge of the security and intelligence investigations.

I also told Mr. Schmit I noted that the New York Agents were closing only 5.2 cases per Agent per month whereas the over-all average for the service was 8.9 and every effort should be made to increase the production upon the part of the individual Agents in his office.

I told him that the importance of informants could not be over-emphasized in either the criminal or security fields and I wanted him to be constantly alert to the improvement of our informant coverage.

I told him I noted there were 15 unsolved violations of the Bank Robbery Statute and every effort should be made to bring about an improvement in this situation by the solution of these cases.

I told Mr. Schmit I had been very much concerned about certain recent incidents in the New York Office and that I had written Special Agent in Charge Foster about the same and I wanted him also to convey to Mr. Foster my sentiments in this regard. I mentioned specifically the recent action of Agents at Idlewild Airport where they denied the request of two persons temporarily being interviewed to contact their attorney and, in addition, had threatened the male member of these two that if he did not cooperate more fully, they would have to take him in. I told Mr. Schmit I realized that the attitude of the male individual was no doubt aggravating and annoying, but that we cannot tolerate any such arbitrary actions or attitude on the part of our Agents. I also called attention to the fact that extensive press

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson

September 18, 1959

coverage has been given to the complaint made by these two individuals who were subsequently released because they were not the two they were suspected of being. I told Mr. Schmit I was likewise concerned about the unfavorable publicity the Bureau received in the New York press as a result of improper coordination incident to the seizure of a stolen truck and its contents. I stated this truck had been recovered by our Agents, which was an excellent piece of work, but the police department had not cancelled the alert with the consequent result that the truck was halted by local police three times before the alert was cancelled and our Agents subjected to harassment and, according to the press, portrayed our Agents as being somewhat inept in having to raise their hands in the air while they satisfied the police they were not the actual thieves. I told Mr. Schmit I had instructed that Mr. Foster make a vigorous protest to the Commissioner of Police in New York and while he had done so and gotten the usual expression of regrets, I believed there should be a greater alertness to see that the cooperation of the police in matters of this kind is promptly carried out. I told Mr. Schmit that in this particular instance also, the story had apparently been leaked by the police department to the press, which should certainly put us on the alert that there are elements in the New York Police Department who would not hesitate to cause embarrassment to the Bureau if they could.

Mr. Schmit makes a good personal appearance, is mature, and seems to be intensely interested in the work over which he has supervision.

Very truly yours,

/s/ J. E. H.
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON ✓

DATE: May 5, 1959

FROM : MR. Q. TAMM

SUBJECT:

INSPECTION NEW YORK DIVISION
INSPECTOR JOHN F. MALONE
3/30 - 4/24/59

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SUMMARY

OFFICIALS: Harvey G. Foster, SAC since 7/9/58; B. C. Brown, ASAC, Division I (Administrative), since 9/22/58; A. M. Bryant, ASAC, Division II (Criminal), since 7/21/58; Joseph L. Schmit, ASAC, Division III (Espionage), since 9/24/58; Norman H. McCabe, ASAC, Division IV (Security), since 10/29/56.

LAST INSPECTION: Regular inspection - 3/3/58 - 4/4/58; recheck inspection - 6/2/58 - 6/18/58.

EVALUATIONS:

(1) PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE VERY GOOD

Headquarters space well organized and in very good condition. All 7 resident agencies inspected and found well maintained. Office has 208 vehicles. Adequate for present needs and not excessive providing maximum utilization made. Suggestions made by Inspector to achieve maximum utilization of automobiles. Sixty automobiles checked; 2 defects bearing on safety noted involving brake lights; corrected. Four security checks of office and one of garage made during late evening and early morning hours. No delinquency. Procedure of collecting office trash amended to permit greater utilization of car force and yet assure security. Savings of Bureau employees' time will result.

(2) INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS VERY GOOD

Pending case load as of 3/31/59 totaled 11,359, with 1,015 delinquent cases (10.02%, compared to field-wide average of 6.8%). Inspector instructed office to reduce delinquency. Nine out of 7,585 files reviewed contained substantive errors -- low. Administrative action handled separately.

Enclosures

1 - Mr. Mohr (Attention: W. S. Tavel) (Sent Separately)

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Memo for Mr. Tolson
Re: Inspection New York Division

Statistical accomplishments up in 3 of 4 categories (automobile recoveries $\nearrow$ 18%; convictions $\nearrow$ 1%; fugitives $\nearrow$ 5%; fines, savings and recoveries minus 35%). Top Hoodlum Program satisfactory. Criminal Informant Program rated very good with 94 approved and 762 potential informants. (Increase of 9 approved and 196 potential informants since last inspection.) Quality information being obtained from informants. Inspector made suggestions in 2 important unsolved bank robbery cases and on 3 Top Ten fugitives originating in New York. There have been 29 solved violations of the Federal Bank Robbery Statute since the last inspection. New York origin in 21 unsolved violations of the Federal Bank Robbery Statute. Inspector instructed these cases be brought to logical conclusion at earliest possible date. No missed deadlines in 42 civil rights cases reviewed. Missed deadlines in fugitive cases below Bureau average. Missed deadlines in applicant cases low.

Coverage of national and state Communist Party headquarters as well as of upper echelon of Communist Party excellent; coverage of club and section level of the Communist Party is limited and needs improvement. Communist Party funds apparatus has been deeply penetrated by informants. Detailed analysis of Communist Party fund picture made available to office on day-to-day basis. Highly placed informant advised Soviet Union Communist Party pledged \$200,000 in 1958 for Communist Party, USA, of which \$75,000 was actually transmitted. Communist Party, Soviet Union, has pledged \$250,000 for Communist Party, USA, during 1959, and money will be given directly to New York informant, who is a member of the Communist Party, by Soviet representative (\$50,000 has already been delivered to him).

Estimated Communist Party membership has declined from 3,008 as of 6/1/58 to 2,282 as of 4/1/59. Office instructed to vigorously intensify efforts to identify all current Communist Party members. Coverage of Socialist Workers Party has improved.

Since June, 1958, 92 anonymous source contacts have been made which have provided outstanding data on Communist Party and other subversive groups; 26 contacts were made during this period with anonymous source at Communist Party headquarters providing nearly 6,000 reproductions of Communist Party documents. No known

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Communist Party activity in underground during past few years. Number of Security Index subjects increased from 3,194 as of 6/1/58 to 3,342 as of 4/15/59; 4 Security Index subjects missing, 193 photographs of Security Index subjects not yet obtained. Office doing excellent job on double agent espionage program. Increased from 9 to 20 since last inspection. Ten being operated against Soviets, 9 against satellite countries, and one against Israel. Twenty members of Soviet delegation to United Nations have been identified as known or suspected Soviet agents. Seventy-one individuals have been identified as known or suspected espionage agents of Soviet bloc establishments. Through double agents many vital intelligence targets of Soviets and Soviet bloc countries have been determined.

Informant coverage in security and espionage matters rated very good with 92 approved and 87 potential security informants. (Increase of 23 approved and 43 potential informants since last inspection.) Seventy agents assigned to Intensification Program (INPRO) have not received required indoctrination and training. Inspector instructed that a surveillance school be immediately instituted for these agents. By separate memorandum Inspector recommending re-evaluation of Security Informant Program in resident agencies. By eliminating the mass opening of cases on individuals with suspected subversive background and concentrating on selected individuals, the Security Informant Program in resident agencies should be more productive.

New York's progress on program to review and investigate cases on all Communist Index subjects disappointing. Principal purpose of this program is to determine whether current activities of individuals with subversive background sufficient to place them on Security Index. One of the collateral purposes is to develop security informants. To date New York has spent estimated 2,700 agent workdays on program and developed no security informants and put none of these individuals on the Security Index. Inspector feels that 13 agents could be released for other duties if this program abolished in New York. Appropriate recommendations being made by separate memorandum.

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS GOOD

Inspector feels additional supervisory desk needed in Criminal Division, which would bring total number of supervisors to 49, including SAC and ASACs. Agent productivity improved since last inspection, but

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still considerably below field average. Cases closed 3-month period, January - March, 1959, averaged 4.81, 4.83, and 5.78. Last inspection cases closed averaged 3.95, 4.45, and 4.81 for months March - May, 1958. Field average for January - March, 1959, was 9.8, 8.9, and 10.1.

Office reported adjusted time in office (ATIO) for January through March, 1959, as 16.46%, 15.70%, and 16.62% respectively, which is improvement over previous 9 months when it ranged from 18% - 25%. During January, however, agents assigned to Internal Security Division were instructed to make additional adjustment in ATIO computations by excluding time spent in file reviews and other work in office relating to preparation of annual reports of subjects in Security Index cases. These exclusions also applied to project on Communist Index cases in February, 1959. Eliminating these additional adjustments would have effect of raising Internal Security time in office from 24.43%, as reported, to 40.03%, and would raise over-all time in office from 16.62% to 21.36%. Bureau instructions permit adjustment for time spent on special projects ordered by Bureau and SAC interpreted this to authorize adjustments since annual reports are directed by Bureau in all Security Index cases, and reports on Communist Index subjects are part of a complete review to be completed in one year. Separate memorandum being submitted determining propriety of these additional adjustments.

Form errors below field average. Seven telephones removed as nonessential. No individual abuses discovered regarding sick leave. However, survey by Bureau of employees on rolls at beginning and end of 1958 reflects field average to be 6 days and 2 hours of sick leave taken per employee. New York average - 7 days, 7 hours. SAC was instructed to follow matter of sick leave very closely to insure that there were no abuses of same. Inspector instituted uniform system for following on sick leave.

During inspection several clerical employees detected signing in after 8:15 A. M., but reflecting arrival on register as prior thereto (administrative action taken separately). SAC instructed to adopt firm policy on tardiness.

Operation of Chief Clerk's Office satisfactory and work (exclusive of projects) kept at present level of currentness with no bottlenecks or large backlogs of work existing. This achieved by close supervision,

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frequent shifting of employees and curtailment of project work, file reviews and summaries, and correlation work. These items will be reinstituted when funds permit. One noteworthy suggestion by Inspector being submitted separately for Bureau approval which proposes posting of cases from 3x5 card rather than from mail and files as at present. Will eliminate handling of approximately 15,000 files and serials monthly at posting desk and will get mail and files back to file much sooner. Stenographic production of 3.07 pages per hour compares favorably with field average of 3.10 pages per hour.

(4) PERSONNEL MATTERS VERY GOOD

All available agents and clerical personnel passed the Inspector's examinations. (One stenographer failed first typing test but passed retest.)

Office requested 56 additional employees for Chief Clerk's Office and 46 additional personnel for stenographic section. Inspector concluded that 40 employees justified for Chief Clerk's Office when funds permit. Fourteen new employees have already been authorized by Bureau as replacements for resignees. Inspector feels no additional stenographic employees needed at this time. With afore-mentioned increase clerk-agent ratio 51%. Office requested total of 61 agents. By proper utilization and realignment of personnel available Inspector pointed out to office how present personnel was adequate but not excessive.

Voluntary overtime per agent for last 3 months (January, February and March, 1959) has averaged 2'50", 2'22", and 2'18" daily. Overtime being worked on an irregular, unscheduled basis and equitably shared by all divisions. Spot checks determined overtime performed appeared productive. Morale appears high.

(5) CONTACTS VERY GOOD

New York Office has 57 approved SAC contacts, 53 in Manhattan, one each in Brooklyn, Bronx, Long Island and Westchester County, all contacted by SAC Foster since his arrival in July, 1958. Two contacts developed by SAC Foster. Speeches given during inspection by SAC and ASACs monitored and all rated excellent. During 1958 office held 130 police schools and 20 schools held during first 2 months of 1959. Contacts with police, city and Federal officials all favorable to office and Bureau.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. SAC Harvey G. Foster, GS-18, \$17,500, nonveteran, not on probation. Foster makes an excellent personal appearance and has a very effective personality. He is excellent on police relations and has made some noteworthy achievements in this field since arriving in New York. Mr. Foster has made a conscientious effort to eliminate the "New York attitude," and in this regard he was assisted immeasurably by the drastic administrative action taken in connection with the last two New York inspections. It appears that this action shook New York from its lethargy. Foster was advised by Inspector that he will have to continue to closely follow low productivity and high time in the office. These categories have shown some

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improvement but Inspector feels further improvement possible, and constructive suggestions furnished by Inspector. Foster was instructed to be continually alert to any manifestation of the "New York attitude" on the part of personnel and not to hesitate to "crack the whip" when necessary.

Foster appears qualified to handle the position of SAC in New York, and should be continued in his present position. Attached letter summarizes inspection results.

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2. ASAC Norman H. McCabe, GS-15, \$13,970, nonveteran, not on probation.

McCabe is ASAC in charge of Division IV (Security). Since last inspection (June, 1958) office has shown improvement in informant coverage and has excellent coverage on national and state Communist Party headquarters and party leadership -- highly placed informant directly involved in transmittal of funds from Soviet Union Communist Party to Communist Party, USA.

McCabe makes a mature personal appearance and he has a serious, determined manner in dealing with office problems. He definitely appears to have the intelligence and judgment to successfully handle the many problems that arise in a field office. It is felt McCabe has the proper personality to lead and inspire the confidence of his employees; he has the respect of his subordinates and it is apparent he and SAC Foster are functioning as a team. He was cooperative during the inspection and exhibited a thorough knowledge of the Bureau's work. SAC feels McCabe can function as SAC and Inspector concurs.

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Re: Inspection - New York Division

Recommend ASAC McCabe continue in present assignment
and be reallocated to GS-16 at this time.

Separate memo being
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3. Bernard C. Brown, GS-16, \$14,670, nonveteran, on probation.

Brown is ASAC in charge of Administrative Division and Number One Man to SAC Foster since 9/22/58. Censured, placed on probation and ordered on transfer to Pittsburgh Office as SAC by letter dated 4/30/59 for atrocious handling of New York Post representative subsequent to inspection.

Operations of Administrative Division satisfactory and no major delinquencies noted. Several streamlining suggestions made resulting in reduction of personnel by 5 agents. Brown makes a very good personal appearance, is loyal and has personal characteristics and background experience which should enable him to handle duties of SAC, Pittsburgh, in a satisfactory manner.

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4. ASAC Alton M. Bryant, GS-15, \$13,370, nonveteran, not on probation.

Bryant is ASAC in charge of Division II, the Criminal Division, which is responsible for the New York Office's statistical accomplishments, and these are up in three of the four categories. Particularly good progress has been made in the handling of Theft from Interstate Shipment and Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property violations where the convictions are up 26.6% and 95%, respectively, for the first 9 months of this fiscal year, compared to same period last fiscal year. The delinquency of this division is under the office average. Both approved criminal informants and potential criminal informants have increased in number and productivity since the last inspection.

Bryant makes a very mature, businesslike appearance. He is alert, aggressive, and displayed a good knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the Criminal Division of the New York Office. He exhibited a thorough grasp of the day-to-day problems and important cases which occurred during the course of the inspection. He has the proper personality, temperament, and mature judgment to inspire the confidence and respect of his subordinates. He and the ten supervisors under his immediate direction appear to function as a well-knit team. SAC feels Bryant can function as SAC and Inspector concurs.

It is recommended that ASAC Bryant continue in his present assignment and be reallocated to Grade GS-16 at this time.

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Re: Inspection - New York Division

5. ASAC Joseph L. Schmit, GS-16, \$14,190, nonveteran, not on probation.

Schmit is ASAC in charge of the Espionage Division of the New York Office. He makes a very good appearance. He is industrious, conscientious, and loyal to the Bureau. He appears to have the confidence and respect of his subordinates. He manifests considerable enthusiasm for espionage work, closely follows all major cases in his division. Three substantive errors detected in his division (percentage below field average); Schmit directly involved in none of them. Errors of form in his division 8.67%, above New York Office average of 5.91% and current field-wide average of 7.05%.

A principal objective of espionage investigations is development of double agents and informants. In this respect, espionage division has made improvement since last inspection. Double agents have increased from 9 to 20, security informants from 17 to 26, and potential security informants from 6 to 43.

SAC feels Schmit can function as an SAC. Schmit appears to be doing a satisfactory job as an ASAC of the New York Office, and Inspector feels he can best serve the Bureau handling security work as ASAC in a large office.

Recommended he be continued in his present assignment.

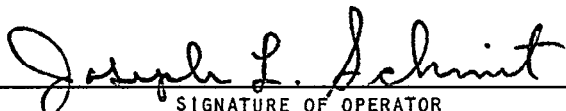
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6. Recommendations concerning other personnel handled separately.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF ASAC McCABE AND ASAC BRYANT ATTACHED.

PAST SAFE DRIVING RECORD CERTIFICATION

NAME OF OPERATOR (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) SCHMIT, JOSEPH L.		DATE 7/1/59	
DIVISION AND SECTION ASSIGNED NEW YORK DIVISION		POSITION TITLE ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I PRESENTLY ☒ HOLD ☐ DO NOT HOLD A VALID MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE.			
PERMIT ISSUED BY: (STATE, TERRITORY POSSESSION, DISTRICT) STATE OF NEW YORK		PERMIT NUMBER 6011094	PERMIT EXPIRES 9/30/61
THIS IS AN ~~UNRESTRICTED~~ (RESTRICTED) PERMIT. (IF RESTRICTED, EXPLAIN BELOW) (STRIKE OUT ONE) Valid only when licensee wears corrective eye glasses or lenses.			
THIS FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT, DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS I HAVE DRIVEN A MOTOR VEHICLE (GOVERNMENT OR PERSONALLY OWNED) APPROXIMATELY <u>30,000</u> MILES. DURING THIS TIME (A) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT RECEIVED A TRAFFIC VIOLATION TICKET; (B) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT BEEN HELD AT FAULT* AS THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. IF AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER, PLEASE EXPLAIN IN ADJACENT SPACE GIVING NUMBER AND DATES OF OFFENSES.			
* "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCEDED BY EMPLOYEE OR HIS INSURANCE COMPANY OR LIABILITY IS FIXED BY DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY.  SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR			

TO BE FILLED IN BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL	NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL FOSTER, H. G.	(PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	POSITION TITLE SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DATE 7/1/59
	THE PERSONNEL FILE OF THIS EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS:			
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	☐ NOT QUALIFIED AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HIS QUALIFICATIONS BY SATISFACTORILY PASSING A ROAD TEST EXAMINATION BEFORE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.			
	REMARKS:			
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	** "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH THE BUREAU HAS TAKEN DISCIPLINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE.			

SAC, NEW YORK

9-16-59

Director, FBI

PERSONAL ATTENTION

JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
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- () Re Physical Examination _____.
- () Advise Bureau of present weight without clothing.
- () Advise Bureau if dental work has been completed.
- () Advise Bureau if vision has been corrected to 20/20.
- () Advise Bureau re physical condition.
- () Advise Bureau condition of _____.
- () Submit results of chest X ray immediately.
- () Submit statement from doctor advising if Agent is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- () Submit Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms.
- (X) Immediately advise regarding referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 9-14-59

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE OF
ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT,
NEW YORK OFFICE, AT
ONE-DAY INTENSIFICATION PROGRAM
CONFERENCE, 9-14-59

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On Monday, 9-14-59, ASAC Schmit of the New York Office reported to the Bureau for attendance at a one-day conference to be held by Domestic Intelligence Division with representatives from the Chicago, New York, and Washington Field Offices on the intensification program. ASAC Schmit was instructed to report in that connection.

The Director has inquired as to why the summary on the New York Office dated 9-14-59 did not contain the usual comparative cost of operation and statistical data normally placed in such office summaries.

The first notice that this division had that ASAC Schmit was reporting to the Bureau for such a conference was on the early morning of 9-14-59 when inquiry was made by the Director's Office concerning the office summary for the Director's use.

These summaries are prepared in the Personnel Briefing Unit and SA L. L. Davidson of that Unit was immediately advised that an office summary was required. This was the first notice he had had that ASAC Schmit was reporting. The normal practice is that these summaries are begun sufficiently far in advance to have them available to the Director in ample time for his review. In this instance no notice was available. Immediate intensive action was taken and a summary covering the salient points of New York Office operation was immediately prepared and left the Personnel Briefing Unit at 10:30 a.m. The comparative cost of operation figures usually furnished is a long complex analysis which requires several hours as a minimum to prepare. Due to the short notice received and since it was felt that the Director would not desire to wait that long, a condensed office summary was prepared as stated and forwarded without these statements.

As regards the lack of notice to this division, it is noted that this particular conference was recommended by memorandum 8-6-59 from W. A. Branigan to A. H. Belmont (original enclosed) but that no copies were designated for information purposes for any interested activities in the Administrative Division. Review of the

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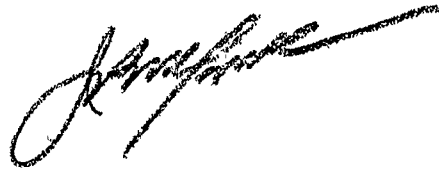
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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson

memorandum does not disclose that it was checked to or initialed by anyone in the Administrative Division. Accordingly, the first notice which was available that such a summary would be required was the actual presence of ASAC Schmit in the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: September 15, 1959

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE OF
ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIDT
NEW YORK OFFICE, AT ONE-DAY
INTENSIFICATION PROGRAM
CONFERENCE, 9/14/59

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On a memorandum from Mr. J. P. Mohr to Associate Director Tolson dated September 14, 1959, Mr. Tolson inquired as to why the Administrative Division wasn't advised concerning the attendance of ASAC Schmidt at the conference concerning the Intensification Program which was held on September 14.

It will be noted that in a memorandum to you dated August 6, 1959, it was recommended and the Director approved that ASAC Schmidt attend the then proposed conference. While copies of this memorandum were made for the interested personnel in the Domestic Intelligence Division and the Training and Inspection Division, no copy was designated for the Administrative Division. This was an oversight and it is sincerely regretted.

Action has been taken to call this incident to the attention of the personnel in the Domestic Intelligence Division so that a similar situation will not occur in the future.

ACTION:

This is being submitted pursuant to your request and it is regretted that this oversight occurred.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 9/22/59

FROM : *jm* NEW YORK

ATTENTION: PERSONNEL SECTION

SUBJECT: ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIT
PHYSICAL CONDITION

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- ☒ Rebulet 9/16/59.
- ☐ Re physical examination _____.
- ☐ Weight without clothing now is _____.
- ☐ Dental work was completed on _____.
- ☐ Vision has been corrected to _____.
- ☐ Chest X-ray results were negative.
- ☐ Personal physician advised he is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- ☐ Attached are Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms _____.
- ☐ Physical examination reports are enclosed.
- ☐ Employee is scheduled for physical examination on _____.
- ☐ Employee has reviewed and initialed his physical examination report.
- ☐ Employee returned to active duty _____.
- ☐ Employee's physical condition is _____.
- ☐ UACB he is being placed on limited duty.
- ☐ UACB he is being removed from limited duty.
- ☐ Additional remarks relative to items listed above:

ASAC SCHMIT has advised he is in good health and has had no recent gall bladder attack, however, he is contemplating surgery possibly during November, 1959.

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